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Memorabilia display to mark 150th anniversary milestone will be followed by final service

Report by **Henry James**

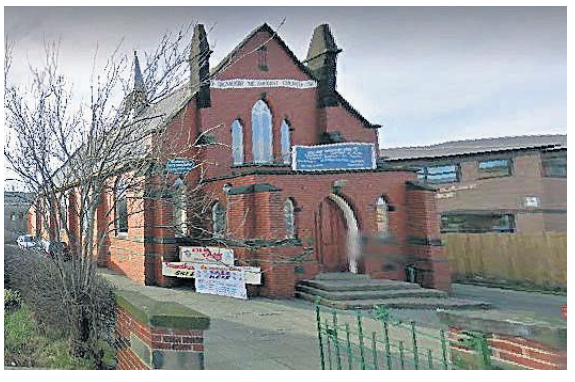
WHEN Digmoor Methodist Church celebrates its 150th anniversary later this year with a display of memorabilia, it will be a bitter-sweet occasion - as it will also mark the final service at the Daniels Lane place of worship on Sunday, September 29.

Falling numbers and difficulties in maintaining the church and adjoining hall have led the congregation to reluctantly make the decision to close.

In 1869 Digmoor was a mining village with two pubs and a school based in a cottage. Then an influx of Methodists from chapels in neighbouring Skelmersdale and Stormy Corner began to hold open-air meetings and house services in the village.

As numbers increased, a club room behind the Bowling Green Inn was hired but the new converts really wanted a place of their own to worship and they began to raise funds for a new School Chapel.

And on Monday, September 27, 1869 a stone-laying ceremony was performed before the new church was officially opened some seven-and-half months later on Monday, May 15, 1870.



Digmoor Methodist Church (above) and (right) how it looked in 1931.

Over the years the original building was maintained and extended, and a new church building was erected in front of the school in 1931.

Boasting its own choir, Digmoor Methodist Church has for many years had a strong musical tradition and many events have been held that celebrated the musical talents in the congregation.

Sadly, in common with many churches and other places of worship, it has seen congregation numbers dwindling, finally prompting the decision to close.

Church officials though are determined that it will not be forgotten, and as well as the memorabilia display on the weekend of September 28/29, other events will be held to celebrate all that the Digmoor venue has been and meant over the years.

Minister, Reverend Rachel Hope, said: "Digmoor Methodist Church has celebrated many baptisms and weddings and shared in the sadness of funerals, it has continued in its faithful witness and mission to the community for 150 years.

"But it was with sadness that at the beginning of the year, with falling numbers and difficulties in maintaining both buildings, a decision was made by the local congregation to close the church."

Meanwhile officials are appealing for anyone with photographs or items connected with the church or events held there over the years who is willing to loan them for the memorabilia display, to get in touch with Pauline Birchall on 01695 624646.

All items loaned will be returned.

The church will be open from 12.30pm on Sunday, September 29 with a final act of worship taking place at 4pm.

£1.27m cash boost for Skem sustainable packaging producer

A SKELMERSDALE company which designs and manufactures sustainable packaging solutions has been boosted by a cash injection of £1.27m, part financed by the Northern Powerhouse Investment Fund.

Bosses at TrakRap, based in East Gillibrands, say they will use the funds - which also include six-figure contributions from existing shareholders and private investors - to expand the business and create "a significant number of new jobs."

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Council green light for 'Fun Arena' plan

Report by **Kenny Parker**

An artist's impression of the planned Fun Arena.

WEST Lancs Council planning committee have granted permission for the development of seven buildings in Burscough and a new recreational facility, despite "strong" objections to the latter by the parish council.

The buildings, on land east of Tollgate Crescent, form part of the strategic development site of Yew Tree Farm for which outline planning permission was granted in March 2017.

Included in the plans are the creation of a linear park, public open space and drainage works, including a surface water drainage pond for the wider Yew Tree Farm site.

Meanwhile, a separate application has also been approved for the creation of a recreation business in a further unit of 3,000 sq.m. in the same area, submitted by Litchfields planning consultancy on behalf of Crompton Property Developments Ltd, Burscough.

The application states that Fun Arena Ltd want to create a 'a one-stop for the family fun area' including a mega bouncy castle, helter-skelter, soft play party room, play park, paddle boat arena, battery-operated bumper cars, ten-pin bowling alley, nine-hole crazy golf and football-related activities.

There will also be a refreshment area and first-floor seated viewing area and the applicant states the facility will create 28 jobs.

However, during the consultation, Jackie Maguire, clerk to the local parish council, submitted a comment which said: "Burscough Parish Council strongly object to this application." The parish council argued that there are current existing play provisions already in place employing staff at Windmill Farm, Burscough, Play Barn, Mere Brow, and Farmer Ted's, Downholland, all situated within a 6km radius, and the new facility would affect their business and employment of staff.

There would also be an issue of access, Mrs Maguire wrote, as the local bus route has a confirmed service at the moment of every two hours.

But in his report to the committee recommending approval, the borough council's director of development and regeneration, John Harrison, wrote: "There is no current provision for children's indoor play centres in Burscough or Ormskirk town centres and no such facilities in edge-of-centre locations.

"The parish council refer to a number of play centres in the borough, however, these are all located within the Green Belt and are therefore not sequentially preferable to the proposed site which is located within the settlement boundary in a more sustainable location."

Mr Harrison also said the new development was in accordance with the stated aims of the new Burscough Neighbourhood Plan, drawn up by the parish council with the assistance of a planning consultant, and recently approved by the public in a referendum.

In response a statement issued by Burscough Parish Council read: "The parish council commented on the Litchfields report as they felt that some of the information needed to be clarified and did not want an adverse impact on existing similar facilities within the area.

"We do not know why Mr Harrison made reference to the Neighbourhood Plan as it wasn't effective at the time the application was made."

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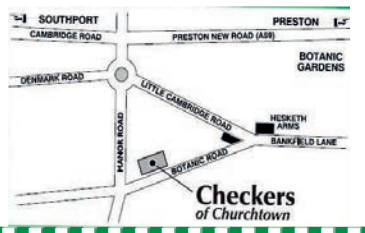

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Pictured following the announcement of the investment are Sue Barnard of British Business Bank, Sue Roberts (Lancashire LEP), Alex Rothwell (Maven Capital Partners) and TrakRap's Martin Hyman and Martin Leeming.

TrakRap secures £1.27m cash injection to expand sales and marketing and create new jobs

Report by **Henry James**

A SKELMERSDALE-based designer and manufacturer of sustainable packaging solutions has been given a £1.27m cash injection, more than half from a fund which provides flexible equity and debt finance solutions to small or medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) across Northern England.

Part of the £400 million Northern Powerhouse Investment Fund, NPIF Maven Equity Finance can invest between £50,000 and £2 million in businesses looking for growth finance to help drive their expansion plans.

A total of £750,000 was invested in TrakRap on behalf of NPIF, alongside an additional £320,000 from existing shareholders and £200,000 sourced from private investors.

The funding will support the growth of the company's sales and marketing function, creating up to 67 new jobs over five years.

Based at Gorsey Place in Easy Gillibrands, TrakRap has developed a packaging solution which serves as a replacement for traditional heat tunnels and cardboard box packaging, and can offer supermarkets, food manufacturers and high-volume goods manufacturers a cheaper and lower carbon footprint solution for end of line packaging due to the product's vastly reduced plastic, cardboard and electricity usage.

Maven was appointed by the British Business Bank in February 2017 to manage £57.5m worth of equity finance for the Northern Powerhouse Investment Fund with a focus on investing in the North West.

Sustainable packaging manufacturer hailed as 'a great Lancashire success story' by country enterprise chief

Investment manager at Maven, Alex Rothwell, said: "TrakRap has created an exceptional product in line with the sustainable strategies many companies are now implementing. The team is highly experienced, and we look forward to working with them as they embark on their programme of growth."

Milestone

Martin Leeming, chief executive officer of TrakRap, commented: "We're delighted to be the company to take Maven over the £25m investment milestone. The work it's done - and continues to do - with SMEs in the UK is incredibly important in helping businesses like ours to grow. Our advisors, Eversheds Sutherland, were also instrumental in advising us every step of the way.

"The investment from Maven will allow us to grow our business by getting more of our packaging machines out into the food manufacturing industry, where they will significantly reduce the amount of plastic, corrugate, energy and carbon required by traditional packaging methods. As we grow, we will also create a significant number of new jobs, which is great news for the local economy."

And David Taylor, deputy chairman of the Lancashire Enterprise Partnership, said: "TrakRap are rightly regarded as one of the most dynamic and forward-looking packaging businesses in the UK, and they are a great Lancashire success story.

"It's therefore fitting that a business of their calibre, based in a county with a long and proud tradition of manufacturing innovation, should be the one to help NPIF reach this key funding milestone."

Skem charity helping Syrian families fleeing horrors of war to start new lives in borough

Report by **Kenny Parker**

THE Birchwood Centre in Skelmersdale has teamed up with the West Lancs Borough Council and Lancashire County Council to deliver a support service for families fleeing the horrors of war in Syria.

The charity has employed an English and Arabic speaker who will lead efforts in helping the stricken families settle in the borough.

Chief executive officer, Stella Connell, said that everyone at the Birchwood Centre was excited to be involved in the project.

"As an organisation, we are proud to be supporting a small number of refugee families to resettle in the West Lancashire community," she said.

"We will work closely with partner agencies, existing Syrian families already living here and the wider community to ensure that the families have the support they need to build a new life for themselves.

Asset

"We have recruited Samara; an experienced English/Arabic speaking case worker, to support each of the families day to day and engage both them and the wider community.

"She will be a real asset to the project, the families and West Lancashire. Samara will heading-up a team of support workers and connecting the families and their children to services in the community too."

Samara said: "The project name is Marhaba which means 'Hello' in Arabic.

"West Lancashire is a very nice area. I know the families will really enjoy living here.

Samara who will be helping the Syrian families in West Lancs.

"The local people here are very kind and have shown an interest in welcoming the families and helping them. My role is to support the families to re-settle here and integrate into this vibrant community."

Stella Connell added: "As an organisation Birchwood and its experienced team are embedded in the West Lancashire community with a reputation for delivering high-quality housing, health and personalised services to people with complex support needs and vulnerabilities.

"In short, we work with people who are often at their lowest point in life and work with them to find practical solutions, to the challenges they face.

"If you would like to hear more about our work or you wish to get involved and support this project then please get in touch with Samara on 01695 7238391."

MP welcomes plan to end outsourcing of public services

A LABOUR party pledge to reverse the trend of outsourcing public services to the private sector and bring them back 'in house' has been welcomed by West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper.

Democratising Local Public Services: A Plan for Twenty-First Century Insourcing, Labour's blueprint for a radical overhaul of local government, was announced at an event organised by the party's Community Wealth Building Unit, a network of councillors and experts working together to rebuild local economies, renew faith in local services and deliver a renaissance of local government in communities across Britain in the face of austerity.

Rosie Cooper said: "It's time to end the outsourcing scandal which has seen private companies rip off the taxpayer, degrade our public services in West Lancashire and put people at risk whilst remaining wholly unaccountable to the people who rely on and ultimately fund these services."

All aboard for cadets open day

MEMBERS of the public are invited to go along to an open day being held by Skelmersdale Sea Cadets on Saturday, August 10.

The event, at the cadets unit in Tawd Road, Tanhouse, near to Hillside Primary School, will start at noon and go on until 5pm.

A number of fun activities are planned and there will also be a chance to find out what the cadets do.

Chris Barnacle from the cadets said: "This year has been great for the unit. A number of cadets have won medals in competitions against other units and the unit has spent a lot of time on Crosby marina, sailing, rowing and kayaking and having fun."

Man,43, charged with assault and unlawful imprisonment

A SKELMERSDALE man has been charged with assaulting and unlawfully imprisoning a woman.

Michael Bullen, 43, of Wheatacre, appeared via video link from prison at Plymouth Crown Court on August 5.

He faced two counts of assault and one count of unlawfully imprisoning the same woman, all offences alleged to have occurred between May 28 and June 7, 2017.

Bullen also faced one count of assault occasioning actual bodily harm on the same woman in June 2019.

After he pleaded not guilty to all allegations he was remanded in custody ahead of a trial scheduled to start on October 16.

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Bid to encourage more nominations from borough for top voluntary award

VOLUNTEER groups in West Lancashire are being given the chance to learn more about the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service in a bid to encourage more nominations from the borough.

The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service is the highest award that can be given to a voluntary group in the UK and following the recent success of the scheme in East Lancashire, the Lord Lieutenant of Lancashire, Lord Shuttleworth, is keen to increase representation from West Lancashire.

To support this, West Lancs Borough Council and West Lancs Council for Voluntary Services have teamed up to arrange a special event featuring the borough's volunteering groups and aimed at increasing local nominations for the award.

The Lord Lieutenant of Lancashire, Lord Shuttleworth is keen to see more nominations from West Lancs for the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service.

This will be held at the Evermoor Community Centre, Birleywood, Skelmersdale, on Wednesday, August 14 starting at 10am. Those interested in attending are asked to confirm their attendance by emailing vicky@wlcvs.org no later than Friday, August 9, indicating any special requirements.

During the event Tony Grimshaw OBE, from the Lancashire panel for the QAVS, will explain how the awards can showcase the work of West Lancashire's voluntary sector and guide groups through the benefits and criteria for being nominated for the award.

Advice

CVS officers will also provide practical advice and support about completing nomination forms.

Council leader, Councillor Ian Moran, said: "Don't miss your chance to hear about this exciting opportunity and help to celebrate and promote the great work that is taking place across West Lancashire."

Meanwhile there is still time to nominate deserving groups for the 2020 award. Nominations can be made by visiting https://qavs.direct.gov.uk but forms must be received by no later than Friday, September 13.

Civic duo to attend care home's summer event

THE Mayor and Mayoress of West Lancs, Councillor Gaynar Owen and Lisa Parker, will attend the annual summer event for staff and residents of Elm House Care Home and their families at the home in Lime Grove, Skelmersdale on Saturday, August 10 from 1pm.

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Consultation on new leisure hubs extended

Council puts back deadline for comments by two weeks following 'high levels of public interest'

FOLLOWING what they described as 'high levels of public interest' West Lancs Council chiefs have extended the public consultation regarding proposed new state-of-the art leisure and well-being hubs in the borough by two weeks to Friday, August 16.

The consultation, which is inviting views on the proposed contents and locations of the new hubs, has been running for a number of weeks.

The proposed Skelmersdale Leisure and Wellbeing Hub would feature swimming pools, ten-pin bowling, climbing walls, a 120-station fitness suite, dance and spinning studios, café and adventure soft play.

Replacing the Nye Bevan Pool it would be built on the Ingram site next to West Lancashire College and Asda.

Following its construction the Nye Bevan will be demolished and the site redeveloped as part of the wider town centre plan.

Plans for the Ormskirk Leisure and Wellbeing Hub could also include swimming pools, a 120 station fitness suite, dance and spinning studios, café and adventure soft play.

It would replace Park Pool and is earmarked for the Church Fields site. Following construction, Coronation Park would be improved as part of a proposed masterplan with the current Park Pool site being returned to parkland following the building's demolition.

The council has been visiting local residents and key stakeholders to get their views, as well as hosting public exhibitions and holding an online and paper-based feedback survey.

Based on consultation feedback the authority would then continue to develop plans to allow final designs to be available for further public consultation as part of a formal planning process in approximately 12 months' time.

Councillor Yvonne Gagen, deputy leader and portfolio holder for leisure & human resources, said: "The council has had an excellent response to the consultation so far and we are grateful to everyone who has given us their views. Due to the high volume of interest we have decided to extend the deadline to provide all residents with the opportunity to respond."

Residents can have their say by going online at https://westlancshubs.co.uk/ or by obtaining paper copies of forms which are available from Nye Bevan Pool in Skelmersdale or Park Pool in Ormskirk. Also included on the website https://westlancshubs.co.uk/ is a series of frequently asked questions.

An impression of how the proposed new Skelmersdale Leisure and Wellbeing Hub would look.

Harry is a reading king!

SIX-year-old Harry King (right) is the latest youngster to successfully complete the Lancashire Reading Tail Challenge at Skelmersdale library by reading 50 books.

The Holland Moor Primary School pupil was presented with a book of his choice and a gold certificate by staff at the library in Southway.

The Lancashire Reading Trail is a county-wide reading challenge that encourages children up to the age of 12 to read more.

For further details about the reading trail and how to get involved, go to www.lancashire.gov.uk or pop in to your local library.

Youngsters sign off for summer with magic treat

YOUNGSTERS at a Skelmersdale primary school signed off for the summer holidays with an extra-special treat - a visit by a magician. Some of the pupils and staff at St Francis of Assisi RC Primary School in Blakehall, Digmoor, are pictured here with their magical visitor.

The teenagers who raised money for the Friends of Tawd Valley.

Caring teenagers tackle fundraising tasks in aid of Tawd Valley project

A GROUP of teenagers from West Lancs have been raising money to help create a place of "beauty and happiness" in Skelmersdale.

The 15-strong group of 16-year-olds from Skelmersdale and Ormskirk, were taking part in the National Citizens Service programme in connection with Wigan Athletic Football Club.

After bag-packing at B&M in Ormskirk and a sponsored walk from Burscough to the DW Stadium in Wigan, they managed to raise £302 which they donated to Friends of Tawd Valley.

The young leader of the group, Alfie Brookes from Skelmersdale, said they chose the Tawd Valley project because they wanted to help bring it back to life and make it "a wonderful place for people to visit".

Alfie said: "We chose Tawd Valley project because it is in the heart of Skelmersdale and we would like it to be used much more by the community. Also we would like the Tawd to become a place of beauty and happiness for everyone around Skelmersdale.

"As a team we feel great about what we have done and feel like we achieved the best outcome we possibly could. I'm very proud of my team and everyone involved."

Also on the NCS programme the youngsters spent a week in Scotland taking part in a variety of activities including water sports and climbing.

And they also spent a week where they had to live like a student, taking part in lessons and living on a budget of £10 for the week.

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Developers behind Parbold Hill plan accuse opponents of scheme of misleading public

Report by **Kenny Parker**

DEVELOPERS behind the application to tip inert waste at Parbold Hill have accused campaigners opposed to the scheme of misrepresenting the facts to generate public resistance.

Maybrook Developments say that the quarry site, which was used as a landfill for general waste during the 1980s and early 1990s, has sunken below levels agreed when planning permission was originally granted and that their plans are therefore to restore the site.

They say there is also an issue of contaminated rainwater (leachate) still being present, 16 years after it was all supposed to have been pumped out.

The developers propose to restore the site to the levels agreed during the landfill application process, or higher, by piling inert waste on top which they say would also stop the formation of leachate.

However they claim that opponents of the scheme are giving the impression that general waste will be used in a bid to win support for their bid to block it.

To carry out the works a new access would be created at the present lay-by, opposite the Miller and Carter restaurant, where members of the public now stop to enjoy the views.

Once completed, and subject to a further planning application, the company also proposes building a holiday park on the southern end of the site and creating wildflower meadows and paths which can be used by members of the public.

West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper pictured at the site with members of the Stop Parbold Hill Landfill campaign.

A new temporary visitor car park would be created to replace the lay-by. This would then become a permanent feature should the second phase also be given planning permission.

Concerns

The proposals though have prompted concerns among local residents with a campaign group, Stop Parbold Hill Landfill expressing fears that possible pollution and unpleasant odours generated during the works, along with noise pollution from lorries and machinery, would have a detrimental effect on what is popularly regarded as a local beauty spot.

Thomas Smith of Architects Peter Dickinson, acting as agents for Maybrook Developments, said: "The applicant and landowners understand the concerns of the campaign groups and local residents. However, many of the statements made by the Stop Parbold Hill Landfill group are intended to evoke resistance through the selective omission of key aspects of the restoration which have been designed to mitigate public concerns.

"The group has emphasised and fuelled the assumption that the proposed works will involve the disposal of waste resulting in odours and has conjured memories of the previous landfill operations.

"The proposed restoration is entirely different to the previous landfill works as it will involve the reinstatement of site levels through the importation of top soils and subsoils extracted from construction and development sites across the North West.

"Roadside signs erected by the campaign group are also designed to evoke the idea that the project will see the disposal of household waste, which is totally untrue. It is important that the facts of the restoration are clearly understood."

He added that the applicant was happy to meet with members of the public to discuss the matters in greater detail.

In response, Stop Parbold Hill Landfill supplied a press release which read: "Whilst recognising that there has been subsidence or slippage, campaigners believe that the project appears to be largely a money-making venture. This is likely to damage Parbold Hill beauty spot enjoyed by thousands."

Del Ellis from the group, said: "The developers' own risk assessment shows that the noise and vibration, dust and fugitive emissions will be high at the top of Parbold Hill.

"This is where visitors stop at the lay-by to experience the view and around 2,000 people a week visit the restaurant. Even odour will be of medium risk at the exact spot where people now enjoy an ice cream or a meal.

"It is important that the facts of the restoration are not mistakenly minimised. We don't believe the developer has investigated all possible solutions. Experts tell us that piling more waste on top, is likely to make the problem worse. Moving water from the cap of the old landfill, with no ring drain is likely to move the surface water problem elsewhere."

Local community groups to benefit from proceeds of crime fund

FOUR Skelmersdale-based organisations which "help make Lancashire a better and safer" place are to profit from a share of £25,000 which has been recovered from proceeds of crime.

A total of 10 projects in the county will benefit from the money which is being delivered though the re-launched Police and Crime Commissioner's Community Action Fund.

Among them are Skelmersdale Action for Youth, Skem Creative Hub, Tanhouse Community Enterprise and West Lancs Ark, based at Skelmersdale's Ecumenical Centre.

Respectively, the groups work to improve the lives of young people in the area, provide an arts venue, act as a community centre, and offer assistance to homeless, unemployed, ex-offenders and substance misusers.

They are said to meet the commissioner's Police and Crime Plan priorities that projects tackle crime and re-offending, build safe, confident communities and support vulnerable people and victims of crime in the county.

In total £150,000 is available for community groups in 2019/20 in small grants of up to £3,000.

Lancashire Police and Crime Commissioner, Clive Grunshaw.

Lancashire's Police and Crime Commissioner, Clive Grunshaw, visits some of the projects the Community Action Fund supports to see first-hand the difference that they make across Lancashire,

He said: "We have seen a really positive response after the fund reopened last month and there are some really positive projects that will make a big difference in local areas up and down the county.

"They deliver great value for money for relatively small investment, help me to achieve the key priorities in my Police and Crime Plan and ultimately, help make Lancashire a safer and better place to live.

"Investing funds recovered from proceeds of crime in this way, removing funds from those who seek to blight our communities and using it to strengthen them, sends a clear signal about the type of place that Lancashire is and recognises the positive role that the various community organisations up and down the county play."

The commissioner also encouraged other groups to apply for funding, adding: "I'm delighted that this year we are able to provide more funding through my Community Action Fund than ever before, available to invest in our neighbourhoods.

"We know that the people who live and breathe the work they do in our communities have great ideas and I'm keen for as many as possible to apply so I would encourage them to visit my website to find the criteria and get in touch if they need more information."

For more information on the Community Action Fund visit www.lancashire-pcc.gov.uk/our-money/grant-funding/community-action-fund/.

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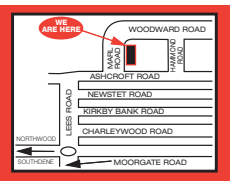

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Talented musician lands dream role

TALENTED musician Luke O'Toole has achieved his long-held dream of landing a principal's role with a professional orchestra.

The 25-year-old from Burscough, who first took up the flute at the age of seven, has been chosen as principal flautist for the orchestra of Opera North.

It is his first permanent position with an orchestra having played freelance with a variety of orchestras both at home and overseas.

Luke already has an impressive array of achievements under his belt, including gaining a scholarship to the Royal Academy of Music for his undergraduate degree where he received first class honours in 2016 before going on to complete a masters at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama, where he graduated with distinction.

He has also played solo for the Queen as part of the BBC Proms Extra and has won a variety of competitions including Liverpool European Capital of Culture Young Musician of the Year in 2008 and the Chris Taylor Flute Prize at the Royal Academy of Music in 2015.

A pupil at St Mary's College in Crosby before going to Cheetham's School of Music in Manchester, in his school days Luke was principal flute with the National Youth Orchestra of Great Britain,

He has also contributed to several film scores, including the Oscar-winning 2017 dark fantasy, *Shape of Water*.

Delighted mum, Cheryl said that even for musicians at the "top of their game" it can be difficult to find full-time permanent jobs and that Luke has worked very hard to achieve his goal of becoming an orchestra's principal.

Flautist Luke O'Toole.

She said: "We are incredibly proud that Luke is now the principal flute with the orchestra of Opera North. When we found out he had been offered the job we were ecstatic and have not stopped celebrating since.

"Luke has worked extremely hard from when he started playing the flute aged seven, to achieve his dream of playing in a professional orchestra and has given us many reasons along the way to celebrate such as winning a scholarship to study at the Royal Academy of Music in London.

"We are now looking forward to watching him play with the fabulous Opera North. All the family are immensely proud of him."

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Evermoor Hub to host 'Meet the CCG' event

Opportunity for residents to meet local health commissioners and learn about programmes being delivered in borough

THE NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group will be hosting its annual 'Meet the CCG' event on Tuesday, September 24 in Skelmersdale.

The event, to be held at the Evermoor Hub in Birleywood will run from 11.30am (for registration and refreshments) until 2.30pm (subject to change) and will be an opportunity for residents of the borough to meet their local CCG; teams from across the organisation and partner organisations, and learn about the projects and programmes that are being delivered in West Lancashire.

It will also include the CCG's annual general meeting with presentations from among others, the group's chief officer, Mike Maguire and chief finance officer, Paul Kingan.

NHS West Lancs CCG chief officer Mike Maguire.

Mike Maguire said: "The CCG is committed to delivering health and social care for the residents of West Lancashire for which we serve, this work is delivered not just by ourselves, but also through a number of key partners who will be represented on the day.

"Last year's 'Meet the CCG' event proved a real success with more than 120 people attending, and with even more work to showcase at this year's event we are looking forward to meeting everyone on September 24.

"Combining this unique style of event with our AGM is a fantastic opportunity to bring together CCG staff, partners and residents, to hear about the work of the local NHS and for us to understand what people feel is working and areas with which we need to focus our attention."

Refreshments will be provided on the day and members of the public are encouraged to book in advance by contacting wlccg.myview@nhs.net or by calling 01695 588 203 to advise of any special dietary, sensory and venue accessibility needs.

Members of the public are encouraged to ask questions on the day but can also pre-submit any questions that they may want to ask the CCG in advance by contacting them on the email address and telephone number above.

Homes evacuated after gas leak scare

HOMES had to be evacuated in Mayfield Road, Up Holland on Wednesday, July 31 after reports of a gas leak.

Two fire engines from Skelmersdale attended at 6pm and firefighters requested attendance of the police to evacuate the properties within a 50-metre cordon of the affected property for safety precautions.

Members of the public were advised to avoid the area.

There were no injuries and members of Cadent, the national gas emergency service, were in attendance working on a repair.

At 7.58pm the area was deemed safe, and residents returned to their homes and the road was re-opened.

A spokesperson for Cadent said: "We were called out at 5.54pm on July 31 to a gas leak in Mayfield Road.

"A gas pipe in the garden of a house had been damaged. Our engineers cut off the gas supply and stopped the leak.

"They left site at 8.50pm and returned the next morning to lay a new pipe and restore the gas supply."

Mary Poppins in the Concourse with two of her young fans, Brooke Charnock and Daisy Lacey.

Young visitors to Concourse enjoy a jolly holiday with Mary!

YOUNG visitors to the Concourse enjoyed a supercalifragilisticexpialidocious treat when one of the world's most famous on-screen nannies popped into the shopping centre's pop-up park.

Mary Poppins flew in - umbrella in hand - and spent two hours entertaining posing for photographs with fans and signing autographs.

One of her biggest fans, five-year-old Ollie Sanders, even took his Mary Poppins cuddly toy along and enjoyed a brief moment of 'fame' when Mary sang for him on a Facebook live video!

Jennifer Burnett, retail marketing manager at the Concourse, said: "We knew that Mary Poppins would be popular and we were so pleased to see how many people came along to see her.

"When we decided to bring the pop-up park to the centre we thought Mary Poppins would be the perfect special guest as the park scene is one of the stand-out scenes in the film."

Meanwhile, anyone who had their photo taken with Mary Poppins on the day is invited to upload it to the Concourse Facebook page, tagging it #ConcoursePark to be in with the chance of winning a host of Disney goodies, donated by Thomas Cook.

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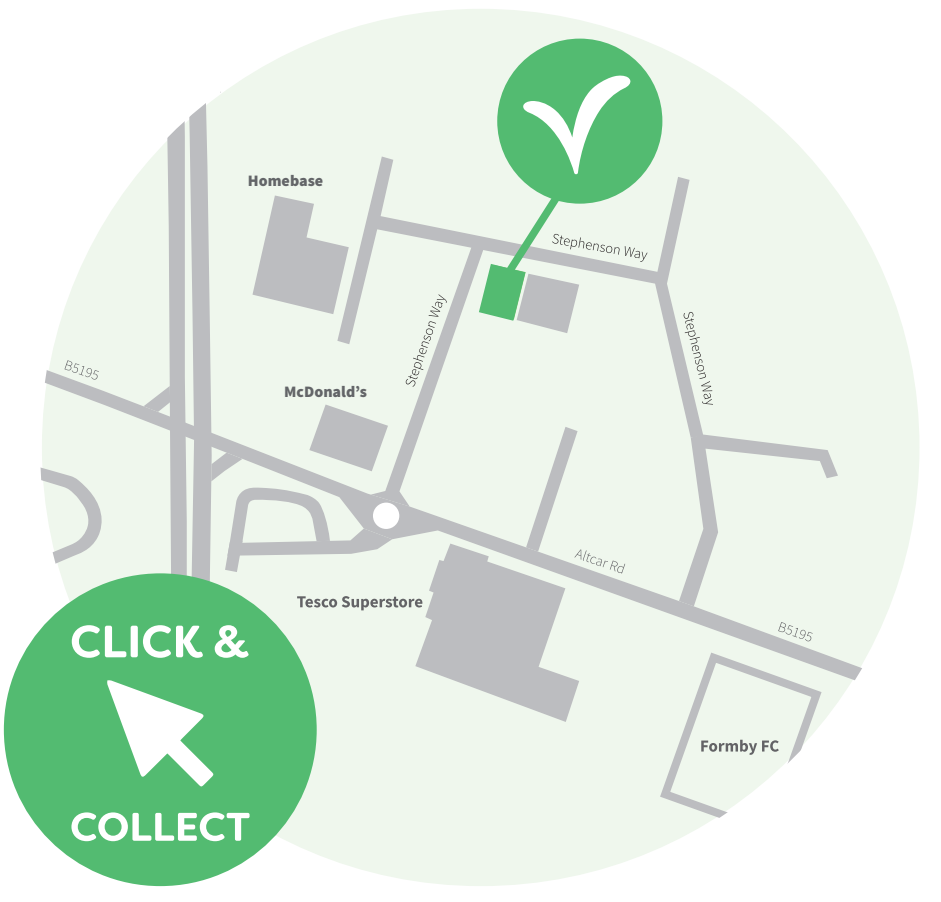

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Still flying the Green Flag - Coronation Park, Ormskirk.

Council parks retain Green Flag status

Report by **Henry James**

CORONATION Park in Ormskirk and Beacon Country Park in Up Holland have retained their Green Flag status.

Managed by the Keep Britain Tidy group under license from the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government, the Green Flag Award scheme recognises and rewards well-managed parks and green spaces, setting the benchmark standard for the management of recreational outdoor spaces across the UK.

It is an internationally-recognised quality mark for parks and green spaces.

Research has revealed that parks being clean and well-managed is one of the most important qualities people look for, as well as it being nearby to where they live.

A spokesman for West Lancs Council said: "The council can confirm that Coronation Park and Beacon Country Park have both retained their Green Flag award status and have continued their high level of attainment.

"These are the only two borough council-managed facilities that were put forward for the award, although we may consider including further sites, including Tawd Valley Park, in future years.

"The council are not aware of any sites within West Lancashire that lost their status this year."

Councillor Yvonne Gagen, the council's cabinet member for leisure, commented: " I am delighted these two wonderful parks have been awarded this prestigious status once again and am very grateful to all the staff - and volunteers - who have worked hard to achieve this"

And Councillor Kev Wilkie, cabinet member for street scene, added: "Council staff and volunteers work hard day-in day-out to keep our parks looking at their best for the people of West Lancashire. They should be very proud of this great achievement."

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Professional ukulele artist Andree Cooke and Parbulele organiser Gary Smith at the latest festival.

Visitors flock to packed-out Parbulele!

Report by **Kenny Parker**

PARBOLD'S latest ukulele festival was hailed the best yet by organisers with both main shows selling out.

Returning for its fourth year, Friday to Sunday August 2-4, Parbulele featured concerts at Parbold Village Hall and a host of performances at a purpose-built constructed main stage along the Leeds and Liverpool Canal and at various other venues in the village.

Along with workshops to teach ukulele, singing and songwriting, there was a fun pirate barge and fairground rides for children.

Headlining the main concerts were Manitoba Hal Brolund from Canada, Secret Ukulele Band from Liverpool and Ukulele Tuesday from Ireland, the latter making their UK debut.

Wigan Ukulele Club performing at Parbulele.

Winner of the Battle of the Bands contest was D'Ukes of Hazzard from Liverpool.

Gary Smith, organiser, and also Mr Parbulele mascot, said that about 1,500 people attended the event over the weekend

He said: "It was the best yet with both concerts 100% sold out, we have never done that before. The big gamble was this idea I had for the Battle of the Bands.

"We did not have any professional acts but the ukulele world took it to heart and and supported it well.

"I believe the village is at long last beginning to realise that Parbulele is bringing something to the village and I am just proud of it now.

"We will definitely be coming back next year."

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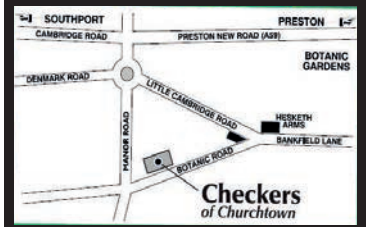

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Fiona bags medal double at national championship

A YOUNG swimmer from Ormskirk made a splash at the double at the English National Summer Swim Championships in Sheffield.

Fiona Byrne, a member of the Ormskirk Otters club based at Park Pool, won silver and bronze medals in the 1,500 and the 800-metre freestyle events respectively.

The success was hard-earned reward for the 14-year-old's intense training programme supported by the Otters, as well as the City of Liverpool Swim Club, Ormskirk School and her family.

Proud dad, Paul, said: "Fiona is an example of what can be achieved by hard work and determination. After qualifying for the summer nationals in May her training schedule consisted of a minimum of five, two-hour pre-school early morning sessions and three evening sessions with additional land-based training.

"Although she's still only 14, she swims as a 15-year-old and being relatively new to swimming at this level, things couldn't be tougher, but a combination of self-determination, self-belief and commitment paid off.

"As she competes in the long distance events, watching the races is nail-biting for her family as she swims at a consistent speed throughout her races working her way through the field as others flag. We were all on the edges of our seats for both races and were absolutely ecstatic at the outcome."

Fiona with the medals she won at the English National Summer Swim Championships.

Casualty suffered smoke inhalation after suspected chip pan fire

FIREFIGHTERS were called out to deal with a fire at a property in Syd Brook Lane, Mawdesley at 4am on Thursday, August 1 only to find out it had already been extinguished when they arrived.

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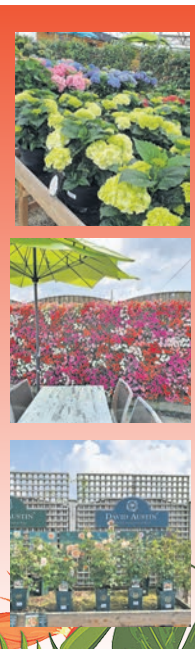

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Past experiences should have taught us to be careful what to believe when it comes to promised investment in Skem

I AM sorry that my comments regarding heavy rail for Skelmersdale fill William Clarke with disbelief, but his letter (July 24) makes me wonder what unicorn he does believe in.

'The new railway would be a service that mainly benefited non car users, people who already use public transport and want as few connections as possible when travelling' he writes. So, Glenburn is on the doorstep of every such person in Skelmersdale is it?

People will need to get to the 'Skelmersdale station' just as they need to get to Up Holland or Ormskirk stations now (and remember even buses from Ormskirk to Skem end at night before 9.30pm and there has never even been a regular bus service to the Pimbo/Up Holland railway station from Skem).

Where is the local transport infrastructure to get people around Skelmersdale (other than taxis).

And if the station is for mostly non car users why do the proposals indicate huge amounts of car parking and clear intention that it will be a 'Park and Ride' hub.

As for it being a direct route, I think you will find that the current line, without swinging over the fields and motorway to Glenburn, is a 45-minute journey from Pimbo/Up Holland to Liverpool Central and requires a change at Kirkby (due to the line from there onwards being electrified - a 10-minute platform wait) where trains at the moment are once an hour.

What are the firm commitments to improve on that or the travelling times that can be expected? They are unclear (after spending £5m on planning so far).

I think unquestioning 'belief' in this scheme is a waste of time and money. I'm sure William and many others will continue to pump (our) money into it. I hope it will produce regeneration for Skelmersdale - but I don't expect it to - and wish this town had benefited from real investment for a long time.

If nothing else Skelmersdale should have taught us to be careful what you believe in. It may not turn out to be what you expect.

Cuthbert Jackson, Skelmersdale.

We need to reduce our waste as much as we need to re-use and recycle

RE: Parbold Hill waste plan.

I wonder with all this fear mongering from the 'not in my back yard brigade' how many of these protestors against the plan have done any of the following:

- **Stopped using single-use plastic packaging from supermarkets?**
- **Stopped buying water in plastic throw-away bottles when evidence-based research has shown tap water is better?**
- **Stopped using disposable coffee cups?**

We are running out of space in the whole of the UK to dump our rubbish.

I am not advocating for the plan in any shape or form, what I am saying is placing it anywhere is an environmental hazard.

We are not serious enough in changing our wasteful habits.

Fiona Cassells, Skelmersdale.

Doing half a job is a potty way to tackle road repairs

WITH reference to Ken Adams' letter about the potholes (July 24), I am glad he had such a good response.

I, on the other hand, have not. As far back as May 2017 I have sent photos of the holes in the road and also used the web page.

They identified the holes, some monthslater, came and repaired one and left the other.

Another one appeared so we had two holes again, both in dangerous places.

They came again this year and filled one in and left the other, which is on the bend in a dangerous place as you have to mount the kerb to avoid it.

Why send a truck out to do half a job on two occasions?

Disgruntled home owner,
Up Holland.

Welcome signs of reducing our plastic use

THANKS to David Attenborough and others, we are all becoming increasingly aware of the impacts our plastic and polystyrene use is having on our oceans and marine life.

Ormskirk Friends of the Earth group have recently done a survey of several takeaways in Ormskirk town centre to see what packaging is being used.

We would like to herald The Acropolis on Aughton Street as a shining beacon to all takeaways for their use of cardboard packaging on fish, chips, kebabs and some Chinese dishes. Several other takeaways have recently been introducing more cardboard or foil carton use.

Along with the majority of town centre pubs and bars having informed us that they no longer use plastic straws or are phasing them out, these are welcome signs that our local businesses are willing to help improve the global environment.

If we all take steps to reduce our individual plastic use the effect on our wider environment will be worth it.

Charlotte Chappell, Ormskirk & District Friends of the Earth.

PICTURE of the week

CAPTIONED 'the pleasure of flowers come rain or shine', reader Maureen Brandon Bold from Skelmersdale submitted this colourful shot of her garden in Fosters Green.

If you would like to submit a photo to be considered for our Picture of the Week slot, you can simply email it to us at editorial@champnews.com.

Please remember to include your name, the area where you live and brief caption details.

Although we cannot publish ALL the photos we receive, we do acknowledge and appreciate your contributions, thank you.

Makers should cut down on packaging

TODAY I opened a family size box of a leading brand soap powder. The box is large and the quantity correct. The contents, however, fill less then 50 per cent of the packaging.

I have noticed this on many items such as leading brand sweets, crisps and many other products.

If items were packed in the correct size packaging many items would use half the packaging currently used.

I can understand that this would be less appealing to manufacturers who like you to think you are getting fabulous value for money, but if everyone is concerned with the environmental issues why add more packaging just to recycle it?

Steve, Skelmersdale, by email.

Call to unite against dementia by joining Liverpool Memory Walk

DEMENTIA is now the UK's biggest killer, with someone developing it every three minutes. Of the top 10 causes of death, dementia is the only one we cannot prevent, cure or slow down.

Alzheimer's Society is calling on family, friends and colleagues to unite against dementia this autumn by signing up for Memory Walk.

I love taking part in my local Memory Walk every year. It's an opportunity to celebrate the life of my nana Iris who I lost to dementia, whilst uniting with thousands of other walkers who are also affected.

I'd love to see more people attend Memory Walk than ever before, raising more money and more awareness.

We need new treatments for dementia now - there have been none in the last 15 years. We owe it to the 850,000 people in the UK currently living with dementia to do something to change this.

Every pound raised will help Alzheimer's Society provide vital information and support, improve care, fund research and create lasting change.

Unite against dementia and sign up to the Liverpool Memory Walk at Aintree Racecourse, Ormskirk Road, Aintree, Liverpool, L9 5AS, on Sunday, September 29 at memorywalk.org.uk.

Vicky McClure, Alzheimer's Society Ambassador.

Landfill plan will help solve waste problem

RE: Parbold Hill planning application.

This landfill site is completely hidden from view and is barricaded to protect people from the dangers present in all quarries. So I cannot understand why 200 busybodies are protesting to preserve a 'beautiful local asset'.

These same people are contributing their waste to pollute the planet. Do they think that their stuff will simply disappear?

Filling this enormous hole will do no harm and will help to solve the waste problem.

Maurice George, by email.

Special viewing area and extended car parking will enhance site and preserve heritage

IN response to David Secrett's letter (July 31)regarding the Parbold Hill landfill, the plan, as I understand it, is a top-up with hardcore of the existing landfill as it has with time sunk and settled.

The plans as stated are for a viewing area with extended car parking which will enhance and preserve the view and give more people access, which is badly needed as the cars, lorries and ice cream van often cause both obstructions and accidents and prevent people being able to stop and look at the view.

A specially designed viewing area and extended car park is a really good idea and will preserve the heritage.

It does need close observance throughout the process to make sure the plans are adhered, to but otherwise it would appear positive and fruitful.

Newburgh resident for 50 years,
details supplied.

- IF you've got a view on a topic of local or national interest which you would like to share with the readers of the Champion, why not drop us a line?

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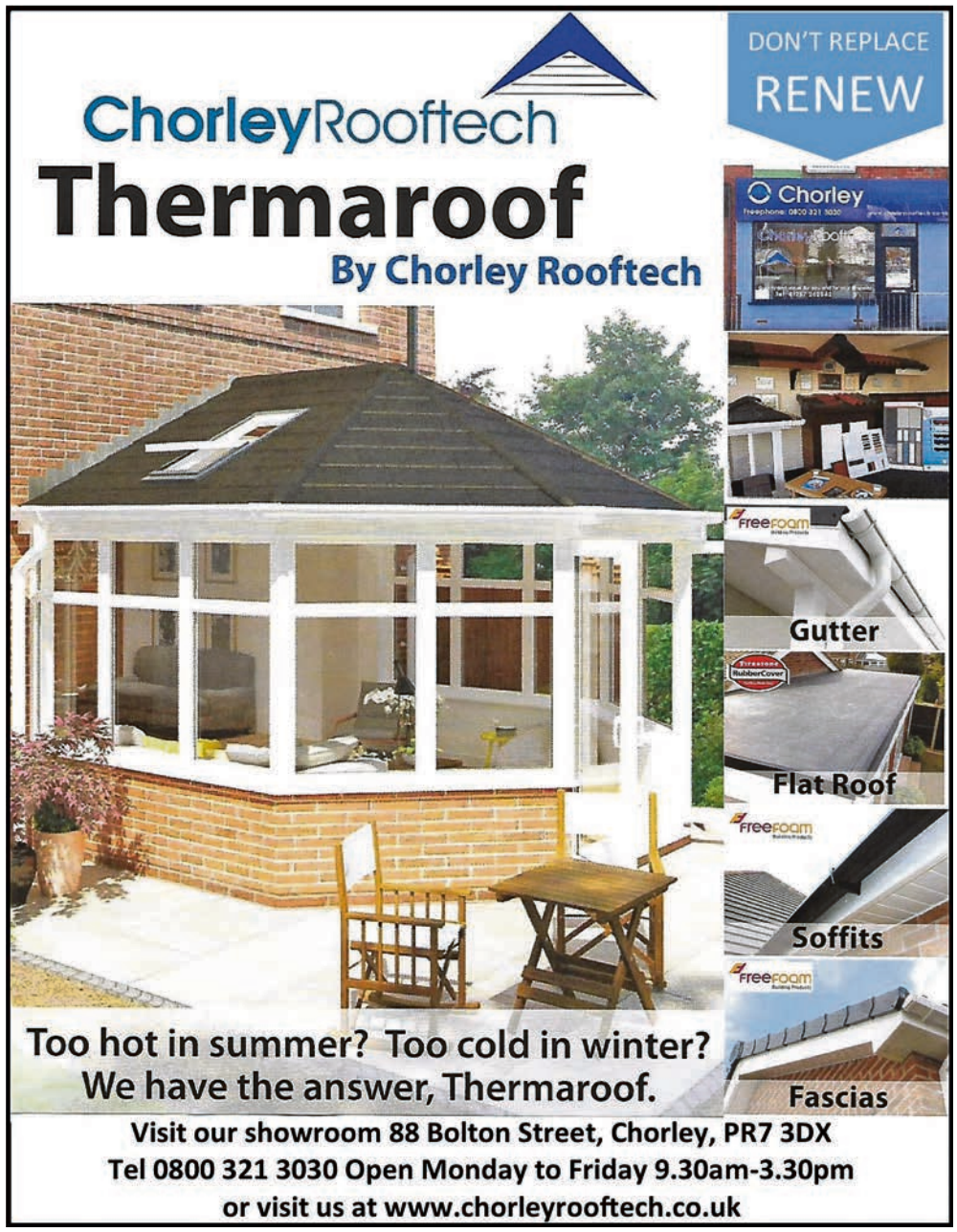

More strikes planned on Merseyrail as talks over guards' role on new trains hit buffer

Report by **Henry James**

RAIL Union RMT has confirmed that its members will stage a new batch of strikes on Merseyrail in the long-running dispute over the future role of guards when the new driver-only operated trains are launched in 2021.

Six dates have been confirmed for the 24-hour stoppages as follows: Saturday, August 24; Tuesday, September 3; Thursday, September 5; Monday, September 30; Wednesday, October 2; and Friday, October 4.

Merseyrail services have been strike-free since March 2018 but 15 months of negotiations between the union and Merseyrail at conciliation service ACAS have now broken down.

Strike action was originally halted when Merseyrail "agreed in principle" to a second staff member on the trains.

However, RMT general secretary, Mick Cash, said: "After 15 months of difficult negotiations with Merseyrail at ACAS we have reached a point where our members feel so strongly that the proposed method of dispatch for the new trains is a less safe option that they are prepared to go back to the picket lines and demand an operational role that applies to all Merseyrail stations that the new trains call at.

"Crucially, the train drivers take the same view that the guard should be responsible for the safe dispatch of the train as they are now. It is these guards and drivers who operate the trains day in and day out and if they are saying that they can't accept the proposed method of operation then they must be listened to."

More strikes are planned in the row over the role of guards on the new Merseyrail trains.

Merseyrail managing director, Andy Heath, though accused the union of making "unreasonable and unrealistic demands."

He said: "The RMT demanded a second safety critical person on our new fleet of trains and as a result of the ACAS discussions they secured this, subject to funding. However, towards the end of the discussions, the RMT was making increasingly unreasonable and unrealistic demands and going backwards on key elements of the deal that they had previously agreed to.

"This was always a dispute about the RMT wishing to retain a guaranteed second safety-critical person on all new Merseyrail trains. We delivered this and this is still not good enough for the RMT.

"This announcement will just create more unnecessary and avoidable inconvenience for our passengers, the public and local businesses. We will do everything we can to deliver as much of a service as possible. There is no need for these strikes. The RMT is being completely unreasonable."

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Get the family together and spend some time in the great outdoors this summer.

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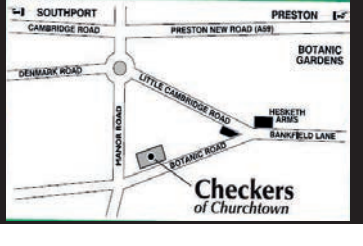

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Inspirational Michèle awarded scholarship

Mature student takes Fastrack to degree success and goes extra mile to guide others along the same path

A MATURE student who has gone the extra mile to support others returning to education has been recognised with a prestigious university scholarship.

Michèle Riley from Ormskirk started higher education in 2016 through Edge Hill University's Fastrack programme - an intensive access course for adults - going on to complete a degree in nutrition and health with first class honours.

And as well as excelling in her studies the 59-year-old - whose father James was a maths lecturer at Edge Hill before it became a university - has also given time and energy to inspiring others to follow in her footsteps.

In recognition of her "exceptional contribution" to the university and her efforts to help raise its profile, Edge Hill has awarded her a scholarship worth £2,000.

She said: "Studying at Edge Hill has been one of the best experiences of my life and has improved my confidence and self-esteem.

"I always thought I wasn't clever enough to do a degree until I enrolled on Fastrack and went from strength to strength.

Michèle at her graduation from Edge Hill University.

"The teaching staff, facilities and support are excellent and there is help available whenever you need it. If anyone reading this is considering returning to education later in life, my advice is to do it and the Fastrack Programme will prepare you for academic study."

Committed

Access programmes manager at Edge Hill, Janet Faircough, commented: "Right from the start of Michèle's journey with us she has always been someone who has shown great passion for her chosen subject and wanted to make a difference.

"Although fully committed to her degree studies, Michèle was so appreciative of the opportunity to come back to study as a mature learner, that she wanted to give something back.

"And she has shown her appreciation by giving up her free time to volunteer and support the promotion of the Fastrack programme. Michèle has been an excellent advocate and given her time to meet with applicants and new students.

" She has also given up her time to be a student representative and take part in student focus groups. She has always given a friendly and down-to-earth representation of what being a mature learner at university is like."

Michèle added: "I wish my father was still here to see my achievements, he would be very proud. Fortunately, my brother, John, and two sisters, Mary and Jacintha, were able to attend my graduation ceremony and shared in my success. It was a truly joyous and memorable day.

"Winning the award is simply a wonderful feeling and I would like to especially thank those who nominated me. I am overjoyed. It came as a complete surprise and I feel honoured and very proud."

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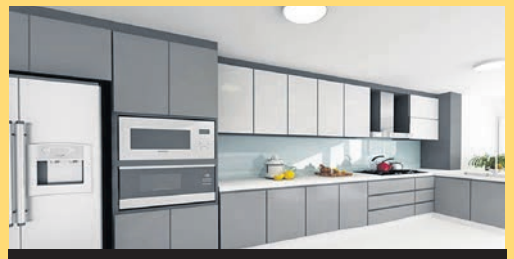

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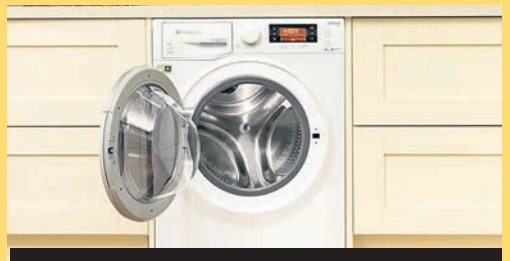

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Edge Hill students get an insight into health care in China

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This year's intake was made up of seven nursing students, two operating department practitioner students and one paramedic pre-registration student.

The group, whose trip was funded by the Student Opportunity Fund, learned about the similarities and differences between professional practice, teaching, lifestyle and culture in the two countries, as well as sampling university life and blogging about the experience throughout the visit.

Lecturer with the Paramedic Team, Rachel Pogson, who accompanied the students, said: "I would like to commend the students who participated. They immersed themselves in the culture and made a concerted effort to embrace aspects very different to our lifestyles

The Edge Hill students pictured with some of their hosts during their ' once-in-a-lifetime' trip to Daqing.

"They took themselves out of their comfort zones and developed skills such as communication and adaptability, increasing their awareness to the differences and similarities between the cultures."

'Incredible experience'

Differences they experienced included the approach to health and social care, medicine and what would be considered 'alternative' therapies in the UK, but which are deemed the norm in China.

One of the students who took part in the exchange, Natasha Gaskell, said: "It was an incredible experience. A lot of activities and presentations were handed to us at short notice, so this allowed me to become versatile and think outside the box, key to being a nurse.

"The trip has helped me to grow on a professional and personal level. I feel much more independent having travelled such a distance to experience how the other half live and my perspectives on life. It was a once-in-a-lifetime trip and I will be forever grateful for having had the chance to go."

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Our politicians should yah boo a lot less and listen a bit more

MORE or less throughout my working life I have taken a particular interest in government, both national and local.

I started straight from school on a local newspaper, moved to another one - and then was 'head hunted' (for the only time in my life) and offered a job on the house newspaper of Pilkington Brothers, the glass people.

That was as far away as I ever got from politics, for my immediate boss in my next job - with BT in Colchester - was not only a local councillor himself but just after I left became mayor of the town and a little later its MP.

We always got on well together, though our political allegiances were different, and my immediate predecessor took a job on the local evening newspaper and we had regular meetings after work. Then I came back home to Maghull and immediately took an interest in the local political scene.

And one aspect of politics in general - from Westminster through to the most humble parish council - which increasingly worries me is the role of the 'opposition' in whatever level of government you choose to look.

Now, the idea of having opposition parties with different views on what should or should not be done is a very good one, generally speaking. But it seems to me that at times opposition seems to mean opposition to anything the ruling party say, particularly at Westminster but also sometimes even down to local councils too.

I remember several years ago attending a council meeting where a suggestion (I can't remember what it was) was put forward by the leader of the 'opposition'. After the meeting some of the councillors from the ruling party adjourned to a bar for a sociable drinks and chat, and I joined them. One of their colleagues turned up later (he'd been to a meeting elsewhere) and was told by his chums what this opposition councillor had suggested. He said: "Oh well, if HE suggested whatever, we will oppose it."

And that really upset me. As I said, I cannot remember what this suggestion was, but it was certainly a reasonably good idea and surely worth consideration.

To give them their due, the councillors already in the bar looked daggers at the newcomer - but whether this was because of his daft reply, or because he had said it in front of a member of the press (me) I do not know.

But things like this happen on a regular basis in the House of Commons. Sometimes I honestly get the impression that many of the MPs really do not listen to what a member of an opposing party had to say before setting up a braying opposition like unruly school kids.

One of these days I hope, I will hear the Leader of the Opposition listen carefully to what the Prime Minister is saying and reply: "That's a jolly good idea - perhaps it could be improved by ...." .

MPs must realise that not everything their party suggests is necessarily good, or that ideas from another side of the House might indeed be a better way forward.

It seems to me that far too much yah boo and not nearly enough listening goes on in Parliament, and this applies to city councils and, to lesser extents, the further down the political ladder of government you go. What politicians at every level should remember is that they probably have little real knowledge of many of the important issues they are discussing yet they are making decisions which will greatly affect the country/town or village they represent.

What do most ordinary folk (that's you, me and your councillor or MP) know about running a railway, or making drains work, or organising and equipping the armed forces, apart from reading some article which happened to agree with their own prejudices?

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Local charities urged to bid for share of £3m postcode lottery pot

CHARITIES and community groups in West Lancashire are being urged to make sure they bid for funding from a pot of more than £3 million raised by players of People's Postcode Lottery before the deadline for the latest round of applications on Wednesday, August 14.

A share of £3m in funding is up for grabs for local charities and community groups, courtesy of the People's Postcode Lottery.

Funding can be accessed through three different trusts, each supporting projects focussed on different themes, and groups are encouraged to apply to the trust that best fits their proposed project:

The People's Postcode Trust invites applications from projects aimed at promoting human rights, combating discrimination and poverty prevention.

The Postcode Community Trust supports initiatives working to improve the health and wellbeing of communities, including arts and physical recreation projects, as well as those with a focus on reducing isolation.

And the Postcode Local Trust provides funding that's dedicated to improving outdoor space, in addition to increasing access to it. Groups working on flood prevention measures and looking to implement renewable energy strategies are also encouraged to apply.

More than 300 groups were awarded grants earlier this year, with sports groups for military veterans, counselling support services for young carers and sensory gardens for people with dementia among the organisations that benefited.

West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper said: "There are countless organisations doing fantastic work across West Lancashire. This is the perfect opportunity for them to take advantage of the funding available and expand the reach of an existing service, get a new project off the ground, or allow it to help extend an already successful initiative. I strongly encourage as many groups as possible to apply."

Laura Chow, head of charities at the People's Postcode Lottery, added: "It's not just players who win with People's Postcode Lottery - over £3 million in grants will have a tremendous impact on grassroots groups across Britain.

"Between the three trusts, a huge array of projects is able to benefit and I would urge all groups to look at the funding guides and apply."

A minimum of 32% from every People's Postcode Lottery ticket goes directly to good causes. To date, players of People's Postcode Lottery have raised in excess of £450 million for more than 6,500 projects across Great Britain and internationally.

For more information, to view funding guides or to apply, groups should visit the respective trusts' websites at www.postcodetrust.org.uk; www.postcodecommunitytrust.org.uk. or www.postcodelocaltrust.org.uk.

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Freemasons' five-figure donation to support vulnerable teenagers

AROUND 1,000 teenagers in eight secondary schools across Lancashire will receive support in dealing with self-harm or suicidal thoughts - thanks to a five-figure donation from West Lancashire Freemasons to the Addaction charity.

The grant of £79,788 will pay for one full-time worker from Addaction's Mind and Body programme. The programme goes into secondary schools offering a package of one-to-one and group sessions designed to encourage discussion around mental health and wellbeing.

The programme will support young people who may be vulnerable to self-harming behaviour but who do not meet the threshold for a response from Child and Adolescent Mental Health services. It is estimated that across two years, roughly 1,000 young people will take part in assembly sessions where they will receive general advice, and 180 young people will go on to receive one-to-one support from practitioners.

Of the nearly 6,000 people who take their own lives every year in the UK, at least half will have self-harmed. Recent Lancashire County Council figures show that suicide figures in the county were 10 per cent above the average for England, with hospital admissions for self-harm almost 20 per cent higher than the English average.

The grant from West Lancashire Freemasons comes through the Masonic Charitable Foundation, which is funded by freemasons, their families and friends, from across England and Wales.

Colin Hughes, service manager of Young Addaction Lancashire said: "We're very grateful to West Lancashire Freemasons for their generous grant, which will help us support young people identified at risk of or displaying self-harming or suicidal thoughts and actions in Lancashire schools."

Mark Matthews from West Lancashire Freemasons said: "I'm very pleased we've been able to help Addaction in their hugely important work helping young people with suicidal thoughts. This is an essential project that offers a lifeline to children and young people who often feel they have nowhere else to turn."

MP backs party's commitment to eliminate in-work poverty

ROSIE Cooper has welcomed Shadow Chancellor John McDonnell's pledge that the next Labour Government will aim to eliminate in-work poverty.

Following plans announced earlier to create a new Social Justice Commission to replace the Social Mobility Commission, and a new Minister for Social Justice based in the Treasuryr, Mr McDonnell has committed a future Labour administration to ending in-work poverty over the course of a parliament.

The party's three-fold plan would include rebalancing the economy to end austerity, raise living standards and empowerment in the workplace; strengthening and expanding public services free at the point of use paid for fairly through taxation; and establishing the principle of universalism in our social security system and looking after each other in times of need.

West Lancs MP Ms Cooper said: "We need an economy which operates with a social safety net of shared public service provision so that parents aren't forced to choose between feeding themselves and feeding their children; or the unemployed teenager doesn't give up on job interviews because they cost £5 in bus fares each time."

Trust earns national accreditation for efforts to improve mental heath care

LANCASHIRE Care NHS Foundation Trust has received national accreditation from The Carers Trust in recognition of its work with service users and carers and for its commitment to changing the culture of the organisation to one that is inclusive and supportive.

As a result of its efforts to improve mental health care and experience, the trust has now achieved phase 1 Triangle of Care, which was initially developed to improve mental health acute services by adopting six key principles.

The achievement involved the trust and its carers working in partnership to complete a self-assessment for mental health in-patients units and crisis teams.

Following the self-assessment both worked to identify what needed to change to ensure that carers are part of the core business of the trust.

The Carers Trust then reviewed the self-assessment process and the trust's partnership working with carers agencies, carers and services and subsequent improvement actions.

Proud

To date, the trust has 500 members of staff who have now received carer awareness training and this has positively impacted on the number of carers assessments accessed.

The trust is now working to complete phase 2 Triangle of Care over the next two years. This will be completed across community mental health teams, who will continue to evidence the progress across the trust's wards and teams.

Head of experience at the trust, Sarah Harrison, said: "We are extremely proud to have achieved phase 1 Triangle of Care, but even more so that we have achieved this by working together with the people who use our services and their carers.

"Ensuring that carers are recognised, listened to and supported is a huge priority for the trust and the Experience Team and services have worked really hard to ensure that this is the case. This is a huge step forward in terms of our culture around carers and we look forward to continuing this approach and working towards the next phase."

Sarah Harrison, head of experience at Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust

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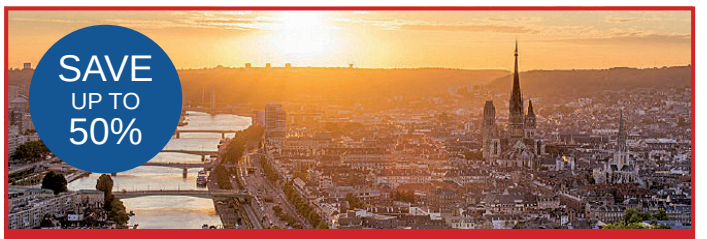

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Local Scouts jet off for missions on three different continents

WITH the summer holiday season now in full swing local Scouts have been jetting off to represent the district at events on three different continents.

Five Explorer Scouts (aged 14 to 18, who often take leadership roles in the younger groups as well as taking part in their own activities) travelled to West Virginia, USA for the 24th World Scout Jamboree held from July 22 to August 2.

Another party of Explorer Scouts from the Ormskirk and District group, which includes Burscough and Skelmersdale, were bound for Uganda to take part in a community project for which they have helped to raise more than £20,000.

The money will be used to help deliver projects including creating a borehole and supporting local farms, as well as building a four-berth toilet block and a refurbished library.

And a third group were set to head to Serbia as part of their Explorer Belt Expedition, one of the highest awards in the Explorer section.

This is a Scout-led, self-sufficient, 10-day expedition covering around 100 miles on foot.

The Scouts will be learning about the local culture and communicating with Serbians in order to source accommodation and find places of interest to visit on the way. To succeed on their trip they will need to use communication, navigation and budgeting skills throughout.

The Explorer Scouts who have been representing West Lancs at the World Jamboree in the USA.

Meanwhile, groups of Scouts from the borough will also be visiting the Netherlands, Austria and France.

Ormskirk and District Scouts Commissioner, Michelle Durney, said: "Each of these trips offers differing opportunities and adventures for the Explorer Scouts, but all of them will offer personal growth and understanding of people from other cultures and the world around us.

"All of the participants have put great effort into fundraising their own trips, and we are extremely proud of those young people who are representing Ormskirk and District Scouts.

"Scouting is as relevant in today's society as it ever was, and it really does provide skills for life."

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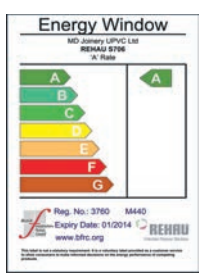

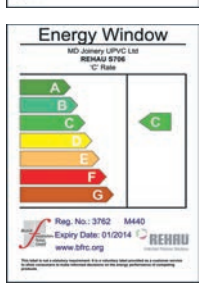

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Party to celebrate golf club's 25th anniversary raises £2,000 for good causes

A PARTY to celebrate Hurlston Hall Golf Club's 25th anniversary raised £1,000 each for two good causes.

The free event at Scarisbrick club was attended by around 1,000 people, including Deputy Mayor of West Lancs, Councillor Terry Aldridge.

Attractions on the day included a children's entertainer, fairground rides, a bouncy castle, have-a-go archery, a driving range and live music.

Meanwhile a draw for prizes donated by Hurlston Hall raised £1,000 for Woodlands Hospice in Liverpool and £1,000 for the Special Baby Care Unit at Ormskirk and Southport Hospitals.

Sales, marketing and events manager at Hurlston Hall Antonia Maddocks, said: "It was a fantastic day.

"Thank-you to everybody who attended and we look forward to seeing you next year!"

● **Right: Some of the crowd enjoying Hurlston Hall Golf Club's 25th anniversary bash.**

Full steam ahead for rail gala...

THE family-friendly West Lancs Light Railway Steam Gala gets back on track this weekend.

The popular event will run from 11am to 11pm on Saturday, August 10 and from 11am to 5pm on Sunday, August 11 at the narrow gauge railway on Station Road, Hesketh Bank.

With free parking, there will be ride-all-day tickets available and the gala will comprise of three steam trains running a frequent service, diesel trains and a chance to drive a diesel train, children's fairground rides and a roundabout.

There will also be interactive children's toys, vintage bus rides, steam tractors, stationary engines, a bouncy castle, displays by Southport engineers, Mamod models in steam and a large marquee featuring an all-day bar, cakes and tombola.

Tickets are also available for the evening entertainment, The Swinging Bricks, with food and local and guest ales.

These cost £10 and can be booked by emailing revansmodex@hotmail.co.uk.

Starts this week in the Champion 'Scam Alert'! - where we tell you all about the latest cons to avoid

STARTING this week, a new, regular column in the Champion will attempt to throw light on the scams that plague residents and hopefully help them steer clear of them.

'Scam Alert' is compiled by John Trotter from Sefton Citizens Advice.

'I should like to begin by introducing myself and my work as a volunteer at Citizens Advice Sefton. My 'bag' is Research and Campaigns and I am based in our Southport advice centre in Wright Street.

I am also involved with our Goddard Hall advice centre in Bootle. Our local CAB Research Team investigates consumer issues reported to us by our advisors. Our plan is to keep our Sefton residents in the picture on scams and our aim is to then give guidance on the best ways of dealing with scammers and phishers (senders of fraudulent e-mails).

First, some general information: If you feel that you have been scammed, or pestered with phishing emails, or had unbelievable offers at your doorstep then we advice you to contact your local Citizens Advice for free guidance. Citizens Advice Sefton has a general telephone service on **0344 493 0012**, or you can visit either of our local advice centres. Opening days and times are shown on our website http://seftoncab.org.uk/our-services.html.

Recent scam issues

● Unsolicited phone calls: This is a regular occurrence for many residents. Recently my wife and I were subject to a number of calls over a week starting with a 'phantom voice' saying what sounds like 'This is M.C and there has been a transfer of funds from your account of £600. Press 1 to speak to us about this'.

Of course, as experienced anti-scammers we put the phone down. On the fifth call from this voice we were told '£600 has been transferred from your account to Nigeria. Press 1 to talk'. Again we put the phone down.

As we bank online and are daily aware of our bank accounts contents we knew that this was a false message. After a few hours I called 1471 and was given a number for that call. I tried the number on a couple of mobile phones and the number does not exist. (started with 0171).

We reported these events to Action Fraud via their website at **www.actionfraud.police.uk**. If this happens to you, do *NOT* press 1 to talk, do *NOT* call 1471 within 30 minutes of the call, as the line may still be 'live', and report the call to **Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or online at www.actionfraud.police.uk**

● Universal Credit (UC): Citizens Advice Help to Claim Team has been made aware of a number of instances where residents are being enticed by doorstep callers who claim to be providing government low interest loans, subject to the victims filling in a form and giving their personal details, including bank details and Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) or Job Centre information. This has resulted in fraudulent claims for Universal Credit and genuine claimants having their benefits stopped by DWP because of alleged fraud.

Our advice: The government does not provide loans on the doorstep. Do *NOT* agree to give any personal information to strangers who approach you in the street or on your doorstep! Contact us or DWP for advice and help.

Be wary of following links in unsolicited emails or calls received from unknown contacts, and only give bank/credit card information to people and businesses that you know and trust. Citizens Advice scam advice is '**STOP, REPORT, TALK'.**

Stop before you give any personal information.

Talk about scams to seek help and reduce stigma.

Report the tell-tale signs of a scam.

You can also report to **Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or online at actionfraud.police.uk**

Karate ace Michael wins place in GB squad

A TEENAGE martial arts exponent from Ormskirk has fought his way into the GB karate squad after winning gold and bronze medals in a regional competition in Manchester

St Bede's Catholic High School pupil, Michael Molloy *(right)* took up shotokan karate at five and the 15-year-old is now a black belt first dan and on the way to his second.

His achievements at the Northern Region Championships won him a place in n the GB squad for the European Championships to be held in Denmark in September.

Proud dad, Patrick, said: "Michael trains three times a week at Kirkby Shotokan Karate Club with sensei George Morrison and has been committed to the sport since he was just five years old. That dedication and commitment has earned him his GB squad place."

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Primary pupils raise funds for horse riding charity

ENTERPRISING youngsters at a West Lancs school raised £103 for a local charity which provides riding classes for the disabled.

Year 6 pupils at Westhead Latham St James CE Primary raised the sum for the West Lancs Riding for the Disabled Association (RDA) by selling cakes and holding a raffle.

Chairwoman at West Lancs RDA, Debbie Hartill, said: "This is an incredible effort from the Year 6 Students who should be proud of their fundraising activity.

"The Riding for the Disabled Association supports people with physical, learning and sensory disabilities, as well as autism and multi-disabilities. We deliver fun and progressive sessions in riding and help them discover and nurture a love of horses. Riders are supported by our amazing volunteers.

"This money will be used to buy new equipment for our riders which will enhance their riding experience."

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer at the West Lancs RDA can contact Debbie Hartill at deb.westlancsrda@gmail.com. No experience of horses is needed, just a willingness to learn.

● Right: Pupils Meghan, Scarlett and Maya present their donation to Debbie Hartill.

Reminder to stay 'sun-safe' when temperatures rise

Nicola Baxter.

FOLLOWING the recent spell of extremely hot weather, health professionals are reminding residents in West Lancs to remain 'sun-safe' during the summer months.

After winter, the return of some sunshine is more than welcome for many, but too much sun and too much time in the heat can have a serious impact on your health. Amongst other things, it can result in sunburn, heat stroke and skin cancer.

NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is reminding residents to take care when enjoying the sunshine over the next few months, whether at home or away.

Hot weather during the summer can also be dangerous if people don't take the right precautions and the CCG has issued the following tips to help residents stay safe in the hot, sunny weather:

- Clothing, sunglasses and hats are your first protection from the sun, especially when enjoying the water in the sunshine. A wide-brimmed hat will help keep your face and neck in the shade.
- Wear a high-factor sun cream and keep re-applying generously throughout the day.
- Spend the hottest parts of the day in the shade where possible, particularly if you have fair skin.
- Drink plenty of fluids in the sunshine.
- If you have a respiratory condition, make sure you have your inhaler on you at all times, as the hot weather can inflame your symptoms.
- Shut windows and pull down the shades when it is hot outside. If it's safe, open them for ventilation when it is cooler.
- Avoid the heat. Stay out of the sun and don't go out between 11am and 3pm (the hottest part of the day) if you're vulnerable to the effects of heat.
- Have cool baths or showers and splash yourself with cool water.
- Listen to alerts on the radio, TV and social media about keeping cool.
- Plan, to make sure you have enough supplies, such as food, water and any medications you need.
- Check up on friends, relatives and neighbours who may be less able to look after themselves.

Nicola Baxter, head of medicines management at NHS West Lancashire CCG, said: "Even on cloudy days, you can still get a sunburn.

"Make sure you always have sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or above on any parts of you that are exposed to the sun. Your pharmacist can advise on sun-screen and sell this to you over the counter.

"You should also wear a hat that shades your face, ears and neck, and loosely fitting clothing to cover up your arms, legs and chest to stay cool.

"It's especially important that elderly people, young children and people with long-term conditions, in particular respiratory conditions, stay safe in the heat. I recommend that you take breaks in the shade. This will not only help protect your skin from the sun but will ensure that you don't overheat and get dehydrated."

Nicola added: "If you do get sunburn, you can help relieve the soreness by applying an after-sun lotion and you can take some ibuprofen or paracetamol to reduce any pain and swelling. All of these can all be purchased at your pharmacist.

"If you have a more severe burn - skin that is badly blistered and swollen - you should seek medical help by visiting your local pharmacist, calling NHS 111 or booking an appointment with your GP."

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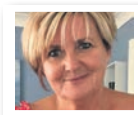

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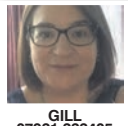

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County council hosts information event for potential adopters

Report by **Kenny Parker**

LANCASHIRE County Council is hosting another information event for people considering adoption at County Hall, Preston on Tuesday, August 13.

Running from 6 to 7.30pm, the event is designed to help people find out about the process involved. There's no need to book - you can just turn up - but early arrival is recommended so that the presentation can start promptly. People attending are also asked to stay for the whole session.

The authority is focusing on two different types of adoption, so that more babies and young children can go to live with their permanent family more quickly.

• Best for Baby (concurrent placements) places babies and young children, aged up to two, with foster carers who may go on to give them a permanent home.

• Better Beginnings (the fostering-for-adoption scheme) is for children where there is no realistic prospect of a return to their birth family.

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson.

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson, Lancashire's cabinet member for children, young people and schools, said: "We need people from all backgrounds to offer a permanent home and family to children who are not able to live with their birth family.

"We want to hear from people irrespective of their race, gender, sexuality, living arrangements, age or employment status. You can adopt as long as you are over 21, and live in Lancashire or close by.

"What is important to us are your personal qualities and that you are able to provide a loving home where you can support and look after a child throughout their childhood and beyond.

"More children in Lancashire are benefiting from being placed with their adoptive families earlier, thanks to these programmes.

"Sometimes babies come into our care at birth or soon after, and they're looked after by foster carers, while we work with their parents to see if they can go home.

"If this isn't possible, the court process can take many months and after that the baby usually has to move again to their adoptive parents."

You can find out more about the information evening and the adoption process at www.lancashire.gov.uk/adoption or call the adoption team for an informal chat on 0300 123 6723.

Free parking is available on the council's Arthur Street car park, next to County Hall.

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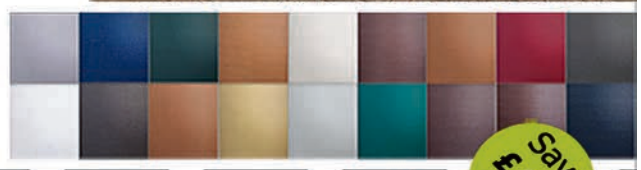

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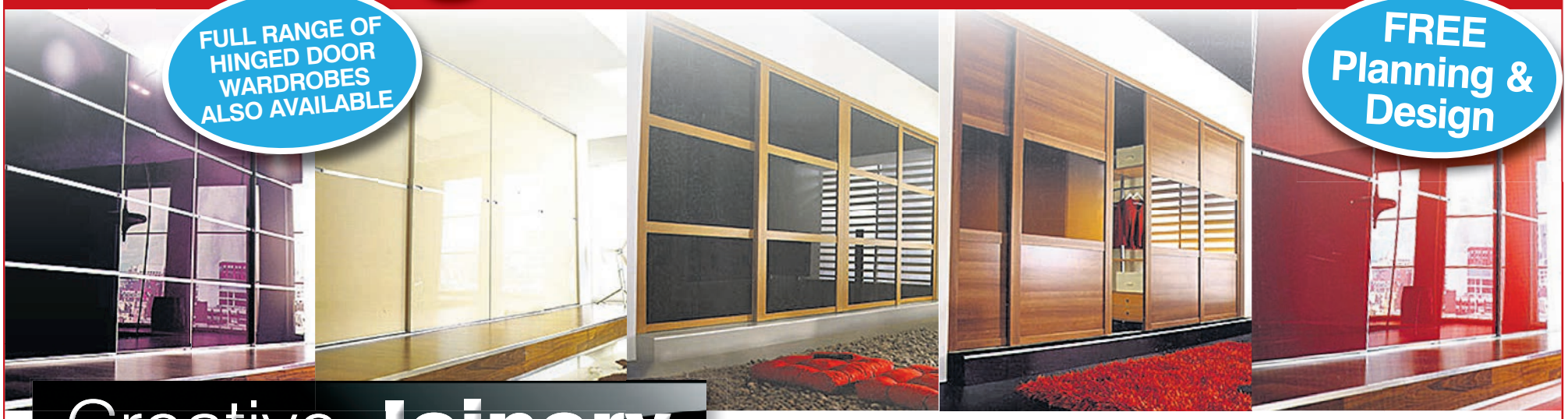

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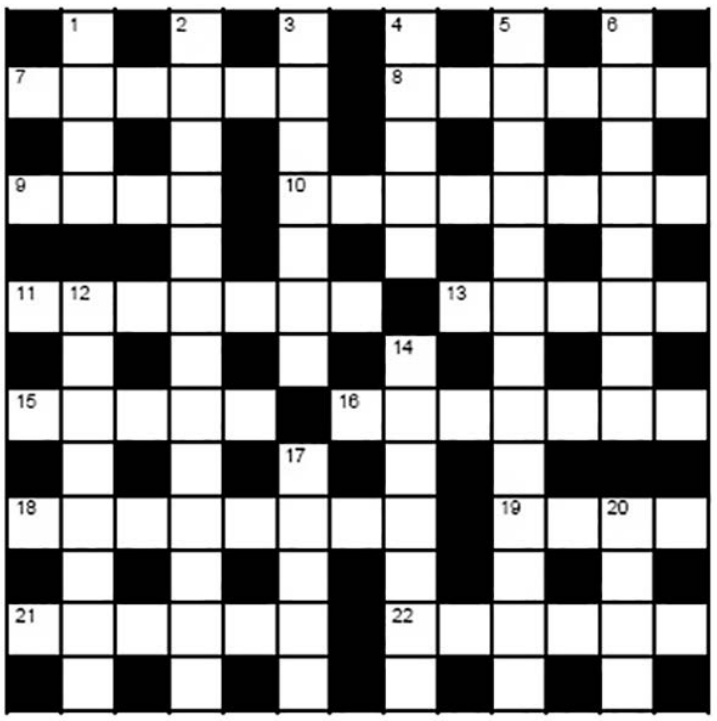

Last week's solutions:

Across: 7. Colour. 8. Reamer. 9. Tame. 10. Cup final. 11. Stunned. 13. Gavel. 15. Snoop. 17. Doze off. 20. Duration. 21. Bury. 22. Derail, 23. Dental.

Down: 1. Go-kart. 2. Cone. 3. Wrecked. 4. Crypt. 5. Validate. 6. Rebate. 12. Neo-natal. 14. Tornado. 16. Nausea. 18. Formal. 19. Bible. 21. Bonn.

ACROSS

7. An image or word on the body created using needles to put colours under the skin (6)
8. Meal eaten either in the afternoon or evening (6)
9. Cowshed (4)
10. An orchestral piece at the beginning of an opera, play, etc (8)
11. Dish or container for depositing cigarette butts (7)
13. The mammary gland of female cattle, sheep etc. (5)
15. Large area of land or a short piece of writing, especially on a religious or political topic (5)
16. Marked like a zebra or tiger for instance (7)
18. An astronaut (8)
19. Gloomy, bleak (4)
21. The opinion generally held of someone or something (6)
22. Informal term for a mistake or Yogi Bear's pal (3-3)

DOWN

1. To differ or change (4)
2. Bacterium causing sore throat and infections such as scarlet fever and pneumonia (13)
3. US river that flows through Washington DC (7)
4. Lazy person, layabout (5)
5. England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland collectively (6, 7)
6. Get or bring something back (8)
12. Fragments of a bomb, shell, or other object thrown out by an explosion (8)
14. Readiness for duty or immediate deployment (7)
17. A small piece of burning or glowing coal or wood in a dying fire (5)
20. Strong magnetic metal, chemical symbol Fe (4)

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The Winstanley College group pictured outside Oxford's iconic Radcliffe Camera building.

College group attend open day at Oxford University

A 30-STRONG group from Winstanley College which is attended by students from West Lancs, enjoyed a residential trip to Oxford to attend the Oxford University Open Day.

The visit included a detailed look into what life at the historic university is like, as well as the chance to stay in the accommodation at Merton, Pembroke and Christ Church colleges.

Among the highlights of the trip was the three-hour walking tour, 'Oxford by night' taking in many of the city's iconic sites.

Former Winstanley student, Alice Wong, who is now studying English at Oxford, joined the tour and provided a student's eyeview and insight into the application process, as well as sharing her experiences of university life.

This capped off an excellent year for the Oxbridge programme at Winstanley College, which also saw its co-ordinator, Matt Fisher, nominated for a 'University of Oxford Inspirational Teachers Award 2019'.

Invitation to a 'Saltmarsh Safari'

VISITORS to the RSPB Marshside nature reserve near Southport are being invited to enjoy a 'Saltmarsh Safari on Sunday, August 11.

Aimed at adults, the event will allow participants to get closer to a host of fascinating creatures that call the marsh home.

Experts from the charity will provide special equipment for discovering the insects living in the grass and mud and will guide participants through this unique tidal habitat to explore the often hidden world of the bugs, mammals and birds that live there.

The walk will take place from 11am to 1pm and costs £5 per person (£4 for RSPB members). Suitable outdoor waterproof clothing and footwear is required and booking essential by phoning the RSPB Ribble Discovery Centre on 01253 796292. For more information, visit rspb.org.uk/marshside.

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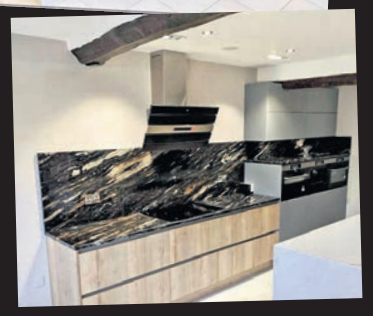
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The band in action

The Traveling Wilburys tribute act set to take audience down memory lane

THE Unravelling Wilburys – One Night Only will be held at The Atkinson in Southport later this month.

This brilliant tribute show, with tight as you like musicianship and tongue in cheek humour, will be held on Wednesday, August 21.

Just when they were about to make it to the big time, this band of good ol' boys from Nashville, Tennessee had a whole bunch of songs (allegedly) stolen by Roy Orbison, Jeff Lynne (ELO), George Harrison, Bob Dylan and Tom Petty, under the late 80s 'super-group' pseudonym The Traveling Wilburys.

Things were so bad after that, the real Wilbury brothers (Walter, Sticky Willy, Thumper, Honky Tonk and Blind Melon) resorted to dressing up as The Beatles, and spent over 20 years touring as "Sgt Pepper's Only Dart Board Band".

After a lengthy legal battle, a Hazzard County judge ruled the boys could get back their true identity and hit the highway with all their old songs including: Handle With Care, The End Of The Line, The Devil's Been Busy and Heading For The Light and many other great songs.

The Traveling Wilburys was formed from an idea discussed by Harrison and Lynne during the sessions for Harrison's 1987 album Cloud Nine, the band formed in April 1988 after the five members united to record a bonus track for Harrison's next European single.

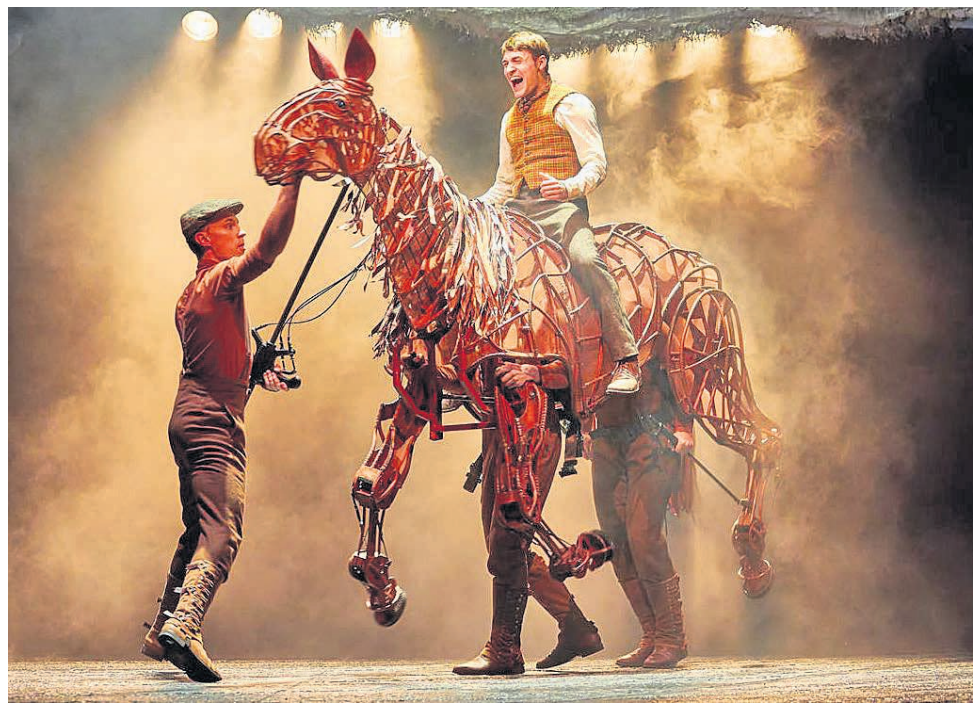
The Atkinson show starts at 8pm.

Tickets are £20 (Concs: £17) plus booking fee online.

To contact the Box Office call 01704 533 333 or visit website: www.theatkinson.co.uk

War Horse is back in the saddle! Heart-tugging spectacle returns to stage

Review by **Danielle Thompson**



The design and movement of the horse wowed the audience

War Horse
Liverpool Empire

THIS was a visually stunning performance led by Danny Hedrix, who was very believable as the lead, Albert Naracott.

12 years on from its premiere at the National Theatre, and three years after concluding a long run in the West End, War Horse is back.

The fine details that the production used for the horses struck me first, as they had lots of small, extra movements added to make it look as if they were breathing, shuffling their weight across their feet and flicking their ears.

It was a riveting performance that held your attention for the entire three hours but was very emotionally draining and left you feeling quite contemplative.

At one point the horses went into an ambush and as some of the horses obeyed the order to retreat (offstage) the production turned the remaining horses' biggest weakness, the fact that they very obviously appear to be created in sections, was flipped around and turned into its greatest strength as they were dismembered by a shell, their torsos ripped from their legs in agonising slow motion.

The soldiers, made up at this point of dummies, were also torn apart, all coming to land in a crescendo of music and flashes of light.

The set used a clever device, what looked like a strip of parchment across the top, to show images related to the scenes, such as dates, locations, or to be used as a realistic backdrop. At one point it showed sheet rain coming down, which, teamed with sound effects, made it feel as if it was really raining.

The actor playing his friend David, Khalid Daley, had a strong local accent, which made the audience really empathise with him and when he was killed by a shell, dying in Albert's arms, the parchment backdrop showed red ink swirling, which was clearly evocative of blood pooling and afterwards, you could almost remember it as Albert covered in blood, the link was so cemented. Distracted by the dialogue, the blood slowly transformed into poppies, and as Albert stood up and started running (on the spot) these started to move, so you could really imagine him running through the famous poppy filled Flanders Fields.

I can't share the ending, as it will spoil your enjoyment, but safe to say it was a riveting combination of on-the-edge-of-your-seat tension and overwhelmingly emotional.

Joey's journey is one of love, from all of his handlers and owners and the way that he is used to fight for both sides used as metaphor to demonstrate that really they are all sharing the same experience.

At one point, Joey is accidentally set free and runs around, terrified, jerking this way and that, while a torrential hail of bullets, bombs and debris flies ahead, shown on the parchment, accompanied by a very realistic sounding wall of noise. A swirling montage shows in detail all the things designed to make you feel the most fear, including falling slabs of metal, barbed wire and nails raining down.

As Joey becomes helplessly entangled in the wire and cries out alone in fear and pain, it makes you really think about the suffering of the 1million horses that were sent to the war and makes it become very real to you.

Through this, you see the fear and helplessness of the men that were sent there too and the production uses these much-loved characters to bring home the searing futility of war and the devastating loss of the millions of men and animals from all over Europe who were killed.

Star Rating: Riveting and even made the audience cry – 9/10

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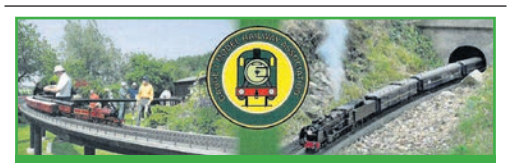
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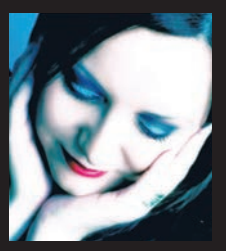

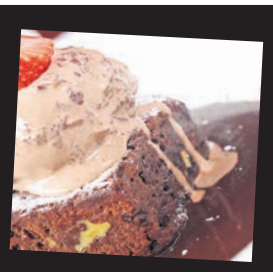

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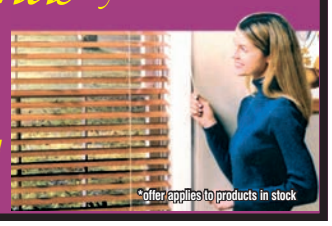
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DEATHS

MELIA CHARLES

30th July 2019
At Dovehaven Nursing Home, Aged 97 years.

Charles will be sadly missed by his Daughters, family, friends and all who knew him. Requiem Mass will take place at St Helens RC Church, Crosby on Friday 9th August 2019 at 11.45am. Followed by Interment at Thornton Garden of Rest at 1.00pm.The family are gratefully receiving donations for The Macular Society. Further enquiries please to Moisters Funeralcare, 25a Sefton Street, Southport PR8 6SG Tel: 01704 501501

DEATHS

BEAN EILEEN MARY NEE McELROY

23rd July 2019
Suddenly but peacefully in her sleep
aged 89 years

Beloved Wife of
the late Leslie.
Loving Mum to
Diane and Paul,
Nan to Robyn and Ben
and a loving Aunty.
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cremation at Thornton
Crematorium on
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ARMSTRONG JOYCE MAY

29th July 2019
Aged 87 years
Peacefully at Woolston Mead Rest Home

Reunited with her much loved Husband Ted (Edward). Loving Mum of Robert, James and John, Mother-in-law of Su, Viv and Julia. Grandmother of Philip, Emma, Sarah, Lucy, Harry, Dominic, Ben and partners Rhiann, Ben and Becky, Great Grandmother of Zach and Ethan. Joyce will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. Funeral service at St Luke's Church, Crosby on Thursday 15th August 2019 at 1pm, followed by cremation at Thornton Crematorium. Family flowers please but if desired donations to Guide Dogs for the Blind or Dementia UK c/o H. Leslie Humphrey, 69 Liverpool Road, Crosby L23 5SE. Tel 0151 924 4805.

DEATHS

MACRAE ROY

Passed away peacefully at home
31st July 2019
aged 75 years

Dearly Loved Wife of Pat, Much Loved Dad of Amanda and Jill, Dear Father in law of David and James, Loving Grandad of Katie, Sophia and William. Loved and missed by all his family and friends. Funeral Service and Interment at St. James Church Westhead on Wednesday 14th August 2019 at 12noon. Family flowers only please by request but donations are being gratefully received for Cancer Research UK and Queenscourt Hospice.

Donations and further enquires please to Lisa Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20, Moss Delph Lane, Aughton Lancashire Tel: 01695 424888.

ROBERTS MARY

Passed away peacefully at High Wray Care Home, Aughton
29th July 2019
aged 96 years

Formerly of 8, Kinloch Way, Ormskirk.

Loved and missed by her family and friends. Funeral Service at West Lancs Crematorium on Wednesday 7th August 2019 at 1.00pm. Family flowers only please by request donations if so desired for The British Skin Foundation.

Donations and further enquiries please to April Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors 20, Moss Delph Lane, Aughton, Lancashire Tel: 01695 424888

DEATHS

BARNES PETER ROBIN

29th July 2019
Aged 73 years

Devoted Husband of Joan. Much loved Father of Joanna and Becky, wonderful Grandad to Daisy, Hamish, Isabelle, Harry and Wilf. Brother to Cyril, Janette and the late Michael. Peter will be greatly missed by all his family and friends. Service at Southport Crematorium on Monday 12th August at 11:20am. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations are being collected for Queenscourt Hospice and R.N.L.I. Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR, Telephone: 01704 500086.

BRIGHTON EDITH

Passed away at Beacon View Skelmersdale
29th July 2019
aged 75 years

Dearly Loved Mum of Lesley and Scott. Much Loved Grandma of Lauren, Oliver, Charlotte and Florence. Loved and missed by all her family and friends. Family flowers only please by request, but donations are being gratefully received for The British Heart Foundation and Cancer Research UK.

For Funeral arrangements please contact Lisa Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20, Moss Delph Lane, Aughton Lancashire Tel: 01695 424888.

DEATHS

BIRKS BARBARA 'JOAN'

of Ormskirk
Born
18th December 1939,
passed away after a short illness on
3rd August 2019

Dearly loved Mother to Steven and Anita, David & Jacqui, much loved Sister to Sylvia, Nanna and Great-Nanna to Amanda, Pete, Phoebe and Harry, Michael, Jamie, Shae & Blake, Jenny, Matthew, Erin, Lewis, Zara & Joe. Also everybody's favourite Auntie & Friend. Family flowers only please but donations if so desired for the British Heart Foundation, and Diabetes UK.

For Funeral arrangements and further enquiries please contact Sally Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20, Moss Delph Lane, Aughton, Ormskirk, Lancashire Tel: 01695 424888

HOPKINS NEE HORROCKS JANE

24th July 2019
Suddenly in hospital aged 49 years.

Much loved Daughter of Pam and Will & Tony and Barbara. Extremely devoted Mum of Sarah, Jade, Jamie, Michaela and Sean. Loving Sister to Alan and Jason. Jane will be sadly missed by her family, friends and all who knew her. Funeral service and interment will take place at St.Marks Church, Southport Road, Scarisbrick on Friday 9th August 2019 at 11.30am. Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for St. Marks Church and School.

Further enquiries please to Brookfields Funeralcare, 73-75 Shakespeare Street, Southport, PR8 5AJ. Tel No: 01704 532106

DEATHS

MORE MAUREEN ANN

24th July 2019
Aged 85 years

Sadly passed away after a long debilitating illness. Dearly beloved Wife of devoted Husband Ron.Sister to Angus, and the late Alan, Hugh, Clarence, Malcolm, Mary and Peter. Loving Godmother to adored Allondra and Alissandra. Maureen will unquestionably be greatly missed by all who knew her. Sincere thanks to all staff at Argyle Park Nursing Home for their kind, attentive care over a long period. Funeral service at Southport Crematorium on Friday 9th August at 2.00 pm. No dress code. No flowers please, but donations if desired to Parkinson's UK. Enquiries to Howards Funeral Directors, 1 - 5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone 01704 500086.

CURRY HUGH

26th July 2019
Peacefully in hospital surrounded by his loving family
aged 78 years

Loving Husband of Barbara. Devoted Dad of Helen, Fiona, Barney, Joel and Tim. Cherished Papa of all his Grandchildren. Will be sadly missed by all his family, friends and Church family. Service of Thanksgiving will be held at St. Paul's Church Skelmersdale on Friday 9th August at 2pm. Family flowers only please by request. Donations if desired for St. Paul's Church. All enquiries to Margaret Whitelam Skelmersdale Funeral Service 29/31 Sandy Lane Tel: 01695 559868

DEATHS

JONES DAVID MALDWYN (MAL)

Passed away peacefully
28th July 2019
aged 79 years

Dearly Loved Husband of. Brenda. Much Loved Dad of Hilary and Phil. Loving Grandad of Dominic, Oliver, Woody, Daniel and Seren. Loved and missed by all his family and friends. Committal to take place at West Lancs Crematorium on Thursday 15th August 2019 at 11.30am, followed by a Service of Thanksgiving 12.15pm at Emmanuel Church, Ormskirk. Family flowers only please by request, and donations are being gratefully received for Kidney Research UK.

Donations and further enquires please to Lisa Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20, Moss Delph Lane, Aughton Lancashire Tel: 01695 424888.

SYLVESTER MARY

29th July 2019
Aged 89 years

Died suddenly but peacefully at home. Devoted Wife of the late Frank. Loving Mum of Ruth, much loved Grandma of Simon and his wife Penny. Cherished Great Grandma of Sam and Max. Mary will be greatly missed by all her family and friends. Service at West Lancashire Crematorium on Tuesday 13th August at 11:30am. Donations are being gratefully received for Queenscourt Hospice. Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086.

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DEATHS

OAKES JOYCE

Aged 94 Years
Passed away
peacefully at Home
1st August 2019

Devoted Wife of the late Bernard. Loving Mother to Margaret, Alison, Bernice, Jean and Lorna. Treasured Mother in Law. Cherished Grandmother to her 12 Grandchildren of whom she was incredibly proud. Joyce will be sadly missed by her family, friends and all who knew her. Committal to be held at West Lancashire Crematorium on Friday 16th August 2019 at 10:45am followed by a service to celebrate Joyce's life at The Emmanuel Methodist United Reformed Church, Ormskirk at 11:30am. The family request a splash of red to be worn as this was Joyce's favourite colour.

Family flowers only by request however donations are being collected in fond memory of Joyce to The Emmanuel Church.

Home for the last 3 years was Abbeywood Lodge in Ormskirk. We are so grateful for all the care and love given by her extended family at the place she renamed Happywood.

Further Enquiries to; Claire Newland Independent Funeral Director 52 Gregory Lane, Halsall, Lancashire. L39 8SR 01704 841935

DEATHS

OAKES JOYCE

Grandma Joyce

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CANNON GORDON MCKENZIE

After a short illness
peacefully in hospital
30th July 2019
aged 90 years

A much loved Dad of Ian, Peter and Gillian Dear Father-in-Law of Rhiannon and Andrew Loving Grandpa of Catriona, John, James, Beth and John Gordon will be sadly missed by all who knew him Funeral Service will take place at St Mary the Virgin Church, Rufford on Friday 9th August at 3pm, followed by Committal at West Lancashire Crematorium Family flowers only by request please and if so desired donations would be welcome to Cancer Research UK.

Further enquiries please to Cookson Tyrer Funeral Directors, 2 Smithy Walk, Burscough L40 5UU. Tel 01704 897770

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DEATHS

SOWERBUTTS EDDIE

25th July 2019
Peacefully in hospital,
aged 89 years.

Dearly beloved Husband of the late Betty. Much loved Father of Linda and the late Philip. Dear Father-in-law of Steve. Loving Granddad to all his grandchildren. Eddie will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral Service and Committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Thursday 8th August 2019 at 9.20am. Family flowers only by request please but if so desired donations can be made to Dementia UK.

Further enquiries to Porters Funeralcare, 111a Bispham Road, Southport, PR9 7BJ, Telephone Number 01704 212714.

HALBERT VIC

Passed away
peacefully at home
31st July 2019
aged 73 years

The dearly beloved Husband of Liz. A loving Dad, Grandad, Brother, Uncle and friend. He will be sadly missed by everyone. Funeral service will be held at Thornton Crematorium on Thursday 8th August 2019 at 3.20pm. No black ties to be worn, casual dress. Family flowers only please but donations if desired can be made to Action For Pulmonary Fibrosis as requested by Vic.

For further information please contact Humphreys Funeral Directors, 69 Liverpool Rd, Crosby, Liverpool L23 5SE Tel: 0151 601 4274

DEATHS

HARRISON NANCY

Peacefully on the
28th July 2019
Aged 91 years

Dearly loved Mum of Lynda, Andrew and Angela. Mother in-law to Mick and much loved Nanna to David, Paul, Daniel, Matt and Paul.

Will be sadly missed.

Funeral service at Holmes Chapel, Mere Brow on Thursday 8th August at 2pm followed by interment at All Saints Churchyard in Hesketh Bank. Family flowers only please; donations if desired to Dementia U.K and Holmes Chapel, c/o the funeral director. Enquiries to Neal Buckley, Tarleton Funeral Home, 49 Church Road, Tarleton, PR4 6UQ. Tel: 01772 301700.

SMITH GEORGE MALCOLM

Passed away
28th July 2019
in Asmall Hall

Loving Husband of Joan. Devoted Father of Ian and Helen. Treasured Grandad of Amanda, Nicholas, Nathan and Mark. Will be sadly missed by all, and always in our hearts. Family flowers only. Donations to Dementia Care if desired. Funeral to be held on Friday 16th August 2019 at 10.30am at St. Annes Church, Ormskirk, then 11.30am at West Lancashire Crematorium. All enquiries to Hunters Funeral Directors, 128b Burscough St, Ormskirk L39 2EY Tel: 01695 572997

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

SWEENEY HELEN JOYCE

Bernard and the Family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to all relatives and friends for their support, cards, messages of condolance and donations to Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital during their recent sad loss. Thanks also to St. Richard's School and Church for their support and to Melanie at H Hardman & Co for her professionalism, kindness and support.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

ROSBOTHAM JOHN

Graham and Julie would like to thank all family, friends and neighbours who sent sympathy cards, messages of condolence and attended Johns funeral.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(B5241 JUNCTION LANE, BURSCOUGH, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of B5241 Junction Lane, Burscough from U375 Heather Close, Burscough to U381 Gower Gardens, Burscough.
2. The prohibition will be operative from 0930 hours on Tuesday 20th August 2019 until 1500 hours on Thursday 22nd August 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. Closure will only be in place between the above times on each day. Access will be maintained whenever and wherever possible. School services will be accommodated.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- B5241 Junction Lane, Burscough – A5209 Square Lane, Burscough – A59 Liverpool Road South, Burscough – B5241 Junction Lane, Burscough
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out by Lancashire County Council – Highways.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/17902/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(U290 BESCAR LANE, SCARISBRICK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of U290 Bescar Lane, Scarisbrick for 20m either side of the level crossing at Bescar Lane Railway Station.
2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
3. The prohibition will be operative from 0005 hours until 0530 hours on Wednesday 21st August 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. Access will be for pedestrian traffic only. The closure will be in place for the full duration of the works.
4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure will not be provided but advanced warning signs of the closure at the level crossing will be provided.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow the annual service of the level crossing to be carried out by Network Rail.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRiT/18732/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(SQUARE LANE, BURSCOUGH, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
(TEMPORARY AMENDMENT) ORDER 2019
The Lancashire County Council ("the County Council") in exercise of its powers under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, (the Act), and of all other enabling powers, HEREBY makes the following Order:-
The Lancashire County Council (Square Lane, Burscough, West Lancashire Borough)(Temporary Prohibition Of Through Traffic) Order 2019, is hereby temporarily Amended in that:
i. To amend Article 2 as follows:
The prohibition will be operative from 2000 hours on Tuesday 20th August until 0600 hours on Friday 30th August 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. Closure will be in place overnight between the above times only on each day. Closure will not be in place outside of these hours. Access will be maintained whenever and wherever possible. Road closure will be in co-ordination with Stop/Go Traffic Management on A59 Liverpool Road South.
This Temporary Amendment Order shall come into operation on Monday 29th July 2019 and may be cited as **"The Lancashire County Council (Square Lane, Burscough, West Lancashire Borough) (Temporary Prohibition Of Through Traffic) Order 2019 (Temporary Amendment) Order 2019"**
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Highways and Transport 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRiT/17803/EW1]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(C131 POOL HEY LANE, SCARISBRICK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of C131 Pool Hey Lane, Scarisbrick from 20m South West of Pool Hey Level Crossing to The Beeches, Scarisbrick, PR9 8AB.
2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
3. The prohibition will be operative from 0005 hours until 0830 hours on Tuesday 20th August 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. Access will be for pedestrian traffic only.
4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- C131 Pool Hey Lane, Scarisbrick – A570 Southport Road, Scarisbrick – C136 Snape Green, Scarisbrick – C136 Wyke Cop Road, Scarisbrick – C136 Wyke Road, Scarisbrick – C131 Pool Hey Lane, Scarisbrick and vice versa.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow a level crossing inspection to be carried out by Centurion Site Services on behalf of Network Rail.
Authority given for this Order to be made: [Ref: HRiT/19250/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(B5241 JUNCTION LANE, BURSCOUGH, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
(TEMPORARY AMENDMENT) ORDER 2019
The Lancashire County Council ("the County Council") in exercise of its powers under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, (the Act), and of all other enabling powers, HEREBY makes the following Order:-
The Lancashire County Council (B5241 Junction Lane, Burscough, West Lancashire Borough)(Temporary Prohibition Of Through Traffic) Order 2019, is hereby temporarily Amended in that:
i. To amend Article 3 as follows:
The prohibition will be operative from 0930 hours on Tuesday 20th August 2019 until 1500 hours on Friday 23rd August 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. Closure will only be in place between the above times on each day. Access will be maintained whenever and wherever possible. School services will be accommodated.
This Temporary Amendment Order shall come into operation on Wednesday 24th July 2019 and may be cited as **"The Lancashire County Council (B5241 Junction Lane, Burscough, West Lancashire Borough) (Temporary Prohibition Of Through Traffic) Order 2019 (Temporary Amendment) Order 2019"**
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRiT/17902/EW/1]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(GREEN LANE, TARLETON, WEST LANCASHIRE)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) NOTICE 2019
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council consider it necessary because of the likelihood of danger to the public that the prohibition should come into force without delay under **Section 14(2)(b) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, which will temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this Notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle, cycle or pedestrian to proceed over that length of Green Lane, Tarleton from its junction with Blackgate Lane to its junction with Liverpool Road.
2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
3. The prohibition will be operative from 1335 hours on Wednesday 24th July 2019 until 2359 hours on Tuesday 13th August 2019, or until completion of the works within this period.
4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Blackgate Lane - Southport New Road - Liverpool Road and vice versa.
The temporary prohibition is necessary as multiple subsidence locations making the surface unsafe for highway users.
Authority given for this Notice to be made:
Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager, Highways and Transport, 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRiT/19546/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(GRAVEL LANE, BANKS, WEST LANCSHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
(TEMPORARY AMENDMENT) ORDER 2019
The Lancashire County Council ("the County Council") in exercise of its powers under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, (the Act), and of all other enabling powers, HEREBY makes the following Order:-
The Lancashire County Council (Gravel Lane, Banks, West Lancashire Borough) (Temporary Prohibition Of Through Traffic) Order 2019, is hereby temporarily Amended in that:
i. To amend Article 2 as follows:
The prohibition will be operative from 0000 hours on Wednesday 7th November 2018 until 2359 hours on Tuesday 31st March 2020 or until completion of the works within this period.
This Temporary Amendment Order shall come into operation on Monday 29th July 2019 and may be cited as **"The Lancashire County Council (Gravel Lane, Banks, West Lancashire Borough) (Temporary Prohibition Of Through Traffic) Order 2019 (Temporary Amendment) Order 2019"**
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Highways and Transport 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRiT/15374/EW2]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(B5197 PRESCOT ROAD, AUGHTON, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle, cycle or pedestrians to proceed over that length of B5197 Prescot Road, Aughton from U1023 Orchard View, Aughton to C122 Moss Delph Lane, Aughton
2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
3. The prohibition for any motor vehicle or cycle will be operative from 1200 hours until 2359 hours on the following dates:
i. Saturday 17th August 2019 until Sunday 18th August 2019
ii. Saturday 24th August 2019 until Sunday 25th August 2019
iii. Saturday 14th September 2019 until Sunday 15th September 2019
AND FURTHER, the prohibition for any pedestrian will be operative from 0700 hours on Wednesday 14th August 2019, until 0700 hours on Friday 30th August 2019 or until completion of the works within this period.
4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- B5197 Prescot Road, Aughton – over the border into Sefton – B5197 Prescot Road, Melling – A506 Cunscough Lane, Melling – over the border into West Lancashire – A506 Liverpool Road, Bickerstaffe – A570 Ormskirk Road, Bickerstaffe – A570 St Helens Road, Ormskirk – A570 Park Road, Ormskirk – B5197 Aughton Street, Ormskirk – B5197 Prescot Road, Ormskirk – B5197 Prescot Road, Aughton and vice versa.
AND FURTHER, an alternative route for pedestrian traffic affected by the closure is via:- B5197 Prescot Road, Aughton – C122 Moss Delph Lane, Aughton
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow the replacement of Doctors Railway Footbridge to be carried out by Lancashire County Council.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRiT/18234/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(U927 BRIDGE STREET, ORMSKIRK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of U927 Bridge Street, Ormskirk from U926 Moorgate, Ormskirk to U900 Ravenscroft Avenue, Ormskirk
AND FURTHER, during the period of the closure, pedestrians will temporarily be prohibited over that length of U927 Bridge Street, Ormskirk from U926 Moorgate, Ormskirk to 47 Bridge Street, Ormskirk
2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
3. The prohibition for any motor vehicle or cycle will be operative from 1200 hours until 2359 hours on the following dates:
i. Saturday 17th August 2019 until Sunday 18th August 2019
ii. Saturday 24th August 2019 until Sunday 25th August 2019
iii. Saturday 14th September 2019 until Sunday 15th September 2019
AND FURTHER, the prohibition for any pedestrian will be operative from 0700 hours on Wednesday 14th August 2019, until 0700 hours on Friday 30th August 2019 or until completion of the works within this period.
4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- U927 Bridge Street, Ormskirk – B5197 Aughton Street, Ormskirk – A570 Park Road, Ormskirk – A570 St Helens Road, Ormskirk – U897 Small Lane, Ormskirk – U896 Chapel Street, Ormskirk – U927 Bridge Street and vice versa.
AND FURTHER, an alternative route for pedestrian traffic affected by the closure is via:- U926 Moorgate, Ormskirk - A570 Park Road, Ormskirk – A570 St Helens Road, Ormskirk – U896 Chapel Street, Ormskirk – U927 Bridge Street and vice versa.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow the replacement of the Bridge Street Railway Footbridge to be carried out by Lancashire County Council.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/18233/EW]

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West Lancashire Borough Council
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15

APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

2019/0597/FUL Creation of an outdoor menage for private use only at Blythe Hall, Blythe Lane, Lathom.
The application affects a Listed Building.
2019/0693/FUL Retention of a storage container to the rear at Broughs Butchers, 15 Moor Street, Ormskirk.
The application affects a Conservation Area.
2019/0701/FUL Double-storey front and rear extensions, alter internal arrangement to provide indoor swimming pool, new living/dining area, gym, utility and new entrance door at ground floor. New bedroom at first floor with balcony and master bedroom with en-suite and small terrace on front elevation at first floor. (Amendment to planning permission 2019/0038/FUL) at 43 Granville Park West, Aughton.
The application affects a Conservation Area.
2019/0708/FUL The erection of a conservatory for the farm house and two double garages for the barn cottages at Whiteledge Farm House, Spencers Lane, Digmoor, Skelmersdale.
The application affects a Listed Building.
2019/0720/FUL Pitched roof to replace flat roof on existing extension to rear at 16 Wheat Lane, Lathom.
The application affects a Conservation Area.
2019/0721/FUL Erection of new external security/boundary fence and gate to the perimeter site boundary of the former Silver Birch Lodge nursing home. (Retrospective) at Silver Birch Lodge, Bold Lane, Aughton.
The application affects a Conservation Area.
2019/0750/FUL Replan for 90 plot substitutions, related to previous Reserved Matters Approval 2017/0492/ARM at Henry Alty Ltd, Station Road, Hesketh Bank.
The application affects a Conservation Area.
2019/0757/FUL Erection of 2 x two storey blocks to provide 6 x residential flats (2 x 1 bed, 4 x 2 bed) and 14 houses (10 x 2 bed, 4 x 3 bed) with associated access road off Brierfield, car parking and landscaping at Land Opposite,16 - 32 Brierfield, Digmoor, Skelmersdale.
2019/0761/FUL Creation of an additional four metre wide access point at the northern end of the site frontage at 54B Roby Mill, Up Holland.
The application affects a Conservation Area.
2019/0763/FUL Residential development to include four number self-contained apartments, with associated car parking and external works at Railway Hotel, 1 Station Road, Parbold.
The application affects a Conservation Area.
2019/0795/LBC Listed Building Consent - The erection of a conservatory for the farm house at Whiteledge Farm House, Spencers Lane, Digmoor, Skelmersdale.
The application affects a Listed Building.
The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e-mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to Development and Regeneration Services, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 24 days of the date of this notice quoting the application number.

Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
If an appeal is made against a decision to refuse to grant planning permission, and that appeal proceeds under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.

How information about you will be used
Personal data provided by you will be used as part of the Council's statutory planning duties. Some of this information, including your name and address, will be published. Further information about this is available online at www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning and hard copies are available on request.

John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI Dated:7th August 2019
Director of Development and Regeneration PDNOT1056

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(A5209 SQUARE LANE, BURSCOUGH, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of A5209 Square Lane, Burscough from A59 Liverpool Road South to B5241 Junction Lane, Burscough. Nothing in this notice shall apply to persons engaged in carrying out the works.
2. The prohibition will be operative from 2000 hours on Sunday 18th August until 0600 hours on Wednesday 28th August 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. Closure will be in place overnight between the above times only on each day. Closure will not be in place outside of these hours. Access will be maintained whenever and wherever possible. Road closure will be in co-ordination with Stop/Go Traffic Management on A59 Liverpool Road South.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- A59 Liverpool Road South, Burscough – B5241 Junction Lane, Burscough
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow Stop Go TM works to be carried out on A59 Liverpool Road South which is having carriageway resurfacing works undertaken by Lancashire County Council – Highways.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/17803/EW]
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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(C117 SCARTH HILL LANE, ORMSKIRK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of C117 Scarth Hill Lane, Ormskirk from U1034 Ruff Lane, Westhead to The Woodlands, C117 Scarth Hill Lane, Ormskirk, L40 6HD.
2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
3. The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours on Monday 12th August 2019 until 1700 hours on Monday 2nd September 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. Road closure will be in place for the full duration between the dates and times stated above. Road closure will not affect the running of the West Lancashire Summer Triathlon.
4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- C117 Scarth Hill Lane, Ormskirk – A570 St Helens Road, Ormskirk – A570 Knowsley Road, Ormskirk – U1034 Ruff Lane, Ormskirk – U1034 Ruff Lane, Westhead and vice versa.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow excavation and removal of two existing non return valves in the carriageway to be carried out by Balfour Beatty on behalf of United Utilities.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager, Highways and Transport, Lancashire County Council
0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRiT/19057/EW]
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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(U304 NEW LANE, BURSCOUGH, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH AND U3617 MARSH MOSS LANE, BURSCOUGH, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of U304 New Lane, Burscough from house number 123 to the Level Crossing and U3617 Marsh Moss Lane, Burscough from house number 47 to the Level Crossing.
2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
3. The prohibition will be operative from 0830 hours on until 1630 hours on Thursday 10th October 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. Access will be for pedestrians only. The closure will be in place for the full duration of the works.
4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- U3617 Marsh Moss Lane, Burscough – C137 Tarlscough Lane, Burscough – C137 Redcat Lane, Burscough – C137 Red Cat Lane, Burscough – A59 Liverpool Road North, Burscough – A59 Liverpool Road South – U300 Higgins Lane, Burscough – U303 New Lane, Burscough – U304 New Lane, Burscough and vice versa.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow the laying of a new duct in the carriageway to be carried out by Kelly Communications on behalf of BT.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRiT/18758/EW]
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THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(WEST LANCASHIRE SUMMER TRIATHLON EVENT, WESTHEAD, LATHOM, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council ("The County Council") intend to make an Order under **Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle or cycle (apart from those participating in the event) from proceeding over the following lengths of highway, in the Borough of West Lancashire, as set out below;.
i. School Lane, from its junction with Vicarage Lane to its junction with Whiteley's Lane
ii. Ruff Lane, from its junction with Vicarage Lane to its junction with Scarth Hill Lane
iii. Whiteley's Lane from its junction with Scarth Hill Lane to its junction with A577 Wigan Road (Lathom)
iv. Vicarage Lane in a North East and Easterly direction from its junction with Ruff Lane to its junction with School Lane
v. Ruff Lane in a South Easterly direction from its junction with Beech Meadow to its junction with Vicarage Lane
An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closures is as follows;
i. Ruff Lane - A570 Knowsley Road – A577 Wigan Road – A577 Cross Hall Brow – A577 Wigan Road and vice versa
ii. Ruff Lane - A570 Knowsley Road – A577 Wigan Road – A577 Cross Hall Brow – School Lane – Vicarage Lane
iii. A577 Wigan Road – A577 Cross Hall Brow – A577 Wigan Road A570 St Helens Road – Scarth Hill Lane and vice versa
Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times, vehicular access will be maintained whenever and wherever possible.
The Police, Fire and Ambulance Services have been informed.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to enable the safe holding of the West Lancashire Summer Triathlon event 2019.
The prohibitions will be operative from, 0730 hours until 1230 hours on Sunday 25th August 2018, or sooner if the event finishes earlier
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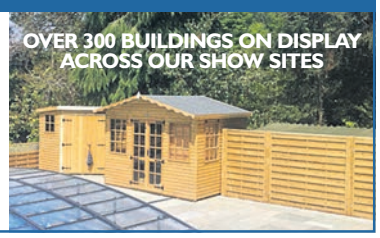

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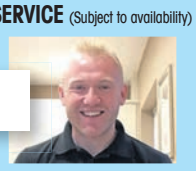

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Just a few of the classic cars at the Birkdale Village Fayre last weekend

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That's the conclusion I came away with after stopping off last Saturday for the Birkdale Village Summer Fayre – it had a fairly sizeable car display, which in itself is nothing unusual, but I've got to applaud the powers-that-be for being bold enough to shut off the bit of Liverpool Road right by the station to make it happen.

I've been to plenty of shows over the years where it's the centre of a town or village itself that becomes the venue, as opposed to a nearby playing field or pub car park, and I know it takes a special sort of perseverance to make it happen. There's a great show in Prestatyn which has been cordoning off key bits of prime North Wales shopping territory for its Bank Holiday show, and I know that closer to home the Ormskirk MotorFest has made the trick of shutting off the town's one-way system its schtick.

In every instance the result's the same; the place is jam-packed with people shuffling through for a closer look. People, who I'm delighted to report, also seemed to be cheerily assembled around the tables outside every restaurant, pub and café within a half-mile radius. I'm sure there'll be a meeting of Birkdale's various movers and shakers in the next few days and something vaguely official to confirm it, but I'd be amazed if all those families who duly hopped off Merseyrail's finest for a closer look didn't treat the village to one of its busiest trading days this year.

It's good from a petrolhead perspective too; if you're reading this there's a sporting chance you'll already know exactly what a 1949 Riley RMA looks like, but for me the real highlight was hearing all the assorted ooohs and ahhhs from folk who don't. Same goes for the 1960 MGA parked up on the other side of Liverpool Road. If you're a small child who's been brought up on nothing but Kia Cee'ds then I can't think of better-looking example of what *proper* cars, with delicate curves, chrome bumpers and rumbling exhaust notes, look and sound like.

I'd also like to share with you, in the interests of fair and balanced reporting, some of the views of the many people who enjoyed the 60 cars on show…but I can't because I was too busy ogling the 1974 Lamborghini Espada that one of the exhibitors had brought along.

Any village centre that has an Espada – which is considerably cooler than any Countach or Diablo - in it has got to be worth visiting, so I reckon in the interests of supporting local businesses it should be made a permanent fixture. Apologies, bus users, you'll just have to put up with being re-routed...

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*** CORSA 1.4 SE 90 5 DR 17 REG** 4,000 miles in dark sea blue metallic, IntelliLink, front & rear park assist, alloys, DAB radio, heated front seats & steering wheel, cruise, Bluetooth, heated windscreen - FSH **£8,995**

*** CORSA 1.4 SE 90 5 DR 16 REG** 14,000 miles in Persian blue metallic, IntelliLink, front & rear park assist, alloy, DAB radio, heated front seats & steering wheel, cruise, Bluetooth, heated windscreen, aircon – FSH & £30 road tax **£8,150**

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*** HYUNDAI TUCSON 1.7 SE NAV CRDi 5 DR 16 REG** 29,000 miles in inca beach metallic, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, climate, cruise, DAB radio, alloys, heated front seats, reverse camera – FSH, £30 road tax & balance of 5 yr Hyundai warranty.....**£12,495**

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*** FORD FIESTA 1.0 TURBO ECOBOOST TITANIUM 100 5 DR 67 REG (NEW SHAPE)** 6,000 miles in magnetic grey metallic, Bluetooth, alloys, aircon, cruise, DAB radio, SAT NAV, heated windscreen, privacy glass - balance of 3 yr Ford warranty..**£11,995**

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*** RENAULT CAPTUR 0.9 ICONIC TCE 90 5 DR 68 REG** 9,000 miles in diamond black with ivory roof, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, alloys, climate – balance of 3 yr Renault warranty, climate, rear park assist **£11,495**

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*** RENAULT CLIO 0.9 DYNAMIQUE NAV TCE 90 5 DR 18 REG** 8,000 miles in diamond black metallic, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, DAB radio, alloys, aircon, cruise - balance of 3 yr Renault warranty **£9,495**

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MINI 1.5 COOPER 3 DR 15 REG 22,000 miles in white with black roof and black alloys, Bluetooth, cruise, rear park assist – FSH, August 2020 MOT – 1 owner plus Mini, £30 road tax.....**£8,195**

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NISSAN NOTE 1.2 ACENTA PREMIUM AUTO 5 DR 14 REG JUST 11,000 miles in white, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, alloys, cruise, rear park assist - FSH, 12 months MOT and £30 road tax.....**£7,350**

LANDROVER FREELANDER 2 2.2 GS TD4 5 DR 11 REG 83,000 miles in black, alloys, bluetooth, rear park assist, detachable tow bar– local car, serviced by ourselves & March MOT.....**£7,350**

RENAULT CLIO 1.5 DCi DYNAMIQUE NAV 90 5 DR 17 REG 71,000 miles in black, SAT NAV, Bluetooth, alloys, rear park assist – £0 road tax, FSH with ourselves & balance of 4 yr Renault warranty.....**£6,795**

TOYOTA VERSO 2.0 TR D-4D 7 SEATER 5 DR 12 REG 62,000 miles in silver blue metallic, alloys – FSH and March MOT, sat nav, bluetooth - 1 family owned **£6,395**

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VAUXHALL CORSA 1.2 ACTIVE 3 DR 58 REG 75,000 miles in red, alloys – June MOT **£2,295**

VAUXHALL ASTRA 1.4 BREEZE 5 DR 58 REG 62,000 miles in ultra blue metallic – spotless with 12 months MOT & FSH **£2,295**

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KIA PRO CEED 2 1.6 CRDi 3 DR 59 REG 126,000 miles in red – 12 months MOT & £30 road tax.....**£1,395**

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Burscough batters had no answer to spin of Sreenivasan

BURSCOUGH are third from bottom in the Second Division after they were beaten by three wickets in their match at Southport Trinity.

Choosing to bat first Navdeep Aujla top scored with 60 but Patrick Connolly 25, Brendan Domigan 17 and Ryan Hughes 16 were only other batters to reach double figures as the Burscough batsmen struggled against the spin of Akshay Sreenivasan who finished with 7-67 and the safe hands of Rick O'Shea.

In Trinity's reply Bobby Eyes 35, Wim Van Der Walt 33 and Craig Prince 19 paved the way for Will Marsh to wrap things up with an unbeaten 25* and take the hosts to victory on 140-7.

Maghull are fifth in the table after a 135 run home win against bottom club Alder, the hosts were asked to bat and cruised to 268-2 declared in 41.5 overs, thanks in the main to a magnificent century from opener Jon Ring (165 inc 32x4 & 2x6), 28 from Joe Campbell, plus 26 each from Paul Walters and Anthony Molloy. In reply, Mohammad Nawaz took 3-18 as the visitors were dismissed for 133.

Hightown St Mary's lost a low scoring match at second placed St Helens by 14 runs, the hosts were asked to bat and dismissed for 125 with Jaidel Richardson top scoring with 40, whilst Jim Kelly 4-25 and Alec McLoughlin 3-18 shone with the ball.

In reply, Jayden Schadendorf 46 and skipper Ben Ashcroft 21 helped the visitors to 92-4 before a collapse saw them crumble to 111 all out, with Richardson 6-35 and Liam Gaskell 4-21 taking all the wickets to fall.

Ormskirk set for crunch title race clash at Bootle

ORMSKIRK are still in the chase for the Liverpool & District Cricket Competition Premier Division title after a 78 run home win against Rainhill on Saturday saw them keep hold of second spot in the table to set up a crunch match with leaders Bootle this weekend.

It set up a good weekend for Ormskirk as on Sunday they won the Vitality Club T20 group 3 area finals, beat Lostock by 34 runs in the final after Gary Knight had top scored with 58 and Robert Rankin hit 38 in their total of 165.

They had earlier beaten Garstang by nine wickets in the semi-final in a rain reduced match.

Batting first on Saturday Ormskirk managed to put 201 up on the board thanks in the main to valuable runs from Tyler McGladdery 65 and Scott Lees who hit 51 off 34 balls.

Qaiser Ashraf 4-56 and Anuj Dal 4-58 taking the majority of the wickets

In reply, Northamptonshire all rounder Luke Procter top scored for Rainhill with 43 and opener Ross Higham hit 30 as the visitors were dismissed for 123, with skipper Nick Caunce 3-17, Ryan Maddock 3-20 and Tom Hartley 3-64 doing the damage with the ball.

Vital league win is followed by T20 Blast area group victory

Bootle remain glued to the top of the table after a low scoring four wicket home win against Northern. The visitors were put in to bat and dispatched for 69, thanks to 5-27 from Will Purser, 3-13 from Jhangir Liaqat and 2-23 from Scott Butterworth, with Jack Boardman 20 top scoring. In reply, the hosts batsmen also struggled but eventually wrapped up victory on 72-6, thanks to an unbeaten 25* from Danny Davies.

Fifth placed Formby had an 83 run win at Leigh, after being asked to bat first the visitors declared on 215-5, thanks to runs from Sam Oldham 77, James Seward 54 and Ollie Sutton 25.

In reply, Lewis Pearson top scored with 41 as the hosts were dismissed for 132 with the rest struggling against a bowling attack led by Ben Aitchison 4-24 and Sabbir Patel 3-21.

Southport & Birkdale sit just one place above relegation zone after suffering a 104 run home defeat by Orrell Red Triangle, after choosing to bat the visitors declared on 202-9, thanks to runs from Richard Everett 66, Andy Baybutt 56 and skipper Andrew Mottram 34, with Chris Cunningham 3-59 and Chris Firth 3-62 taking most of the wickets. In reply Isaac Lea 36 and Cunningham 16* were the only batsmen to offer much with the willow as they were dismissed for 98, with the rest failing to cope against an attack led by Tom Jones 4-17 and Afaq Ali Sartaj 4-18.

THIS weekend's local LDCC local fixtures: Bootle v Ormskirk, Formby v Northern, New Brighton v Southport & Birkdale, Fleetwood Hesketh v Highfield, Sefton Park v Ainsdale, Burscough v Maghull, Hightown St Mary's v Sutton and Spring View v Southport Trinity.

Last gasp Keatley header earns Skem share of spoils

Paul McNally's side come away with a deserved point after twice going behind on opening day of season

Report by **Neil Leatherbarrow**

Ashton Athletic 2
Skelmersdale United 2

A LAST gasp equaliser from John Keatley gave Skelmersdale United a point in their first North-West Counties League game since 2006.

With four players making their debuts and Skem equalising twice, manager Paul McNally was very happy with the way his side played.

He felt his side were "a bit unlucky to go behind" but he was pleased with how they responded and levelled. He added: "They scored probably against the run of play and I was made up the way we came back and although it was a last minute winner. It felt like a winner, the lads who came off the bench changed it, it bodes really well for the rest of the season."

Early on Skelmersdale goalkeeper Jack Cookson made a save at the feet of former Skelmersdale player Josh Nicholson then down the other end long serving home goalkeeper Martin Pearson similarly cleared from a Liam Wood cross.

Ashton were having more of the play but Skelmersdale looked solid and organised at the back with goalkeeper Cookson not being troubled too much.

In the 30th minute Skelmersdale went very close, a Josh Peet shot thumped the crossbar and bounced down behind Pearson, but the wrong side of the goal-line from a Skem perspective.

Josh Peet scores Skem's first goal to make it 1-1

Ashton were quick out of the traps after the interval and grabbed the lead on 48 minutes. It was in fairness a nicely worked goal, a string of passes finally giving Dale Korie-Butler an opportunity to turn the ball into the Skem net that wasn't wasted.

When Skelmersdale struck their first equaliser in the 59th minute it was worth waiting for, new signing Josh Peet who was quite impressive on the day, broke through one challenge then won his way through a second before lifting a 25 yard shot over Pearson and under the crossbar.

It didn't take long for Ashton to restore their advantage and Josh Nicholson who always seems to play well against Skem was the creator, dribbling past two men before his shot was blocked by a defender, the ball breaking perfectly to Chris Bandell who side footed home.

Skelmersdale went onto the attack in search of a second equaliser, Keatley had a header tipped over the bar by Pearson and Alex Griffiths brought the same result from a 20 yard shot.

Cookson kept Skem in it with a quality save at Bandell's feet after a swift counterattack.

It was deep into added time when Skem broke through to bag a point, the ball was worked in from the left and Keatley beat his marker to a lofted ball, flicking a header beyond Pearson to make it 2-2.

Skelmersdale are at home to West Yorkshire side Penistone Church this Saturday in the FA Cup at Volair Park, Prescot.

Linnets score after only 44 seconds but can't hold on against strong Winsford side

Burscough 1
Winsford United 3

IT all started so well for the Linnets at Victoria Park on Saturday, scoring after just 44 seconds giving them the honour of boasting the first goal of the 2019/20 season in the North-West Counties League.

Burscough conceded a 19th minute equaliser, but finished the first-half the better team as they out played the visitors in the latter stages of the first period.

However, the second-half was a different story as the more experienced Cheshire side returned to the field in a more combative mood, eventually capturing the points with goals in 59 and 68 minutes, as they put their physical advantage to good use.

Burscough's team has changed a great deal from last season with only left-back Will Doherty remaining loyal from the squad that flourished at the end of April, but the new Linnets announced their arrival with a bang.

Right-back Sam Turnbull got forward and fired in a cross deep to the far-post that drifted just inside the post to put Burscough ahead.

When the Winsford leveller on 19 minutes came it was out of the blue. Darcy O'Connor won a bouncing ball on the left and cut in before firing a right-foot shot across goal. It got a significant deflection taking it beyond the reach of Linnets goalkeeper Dominic Garner into the far corner.

Winsford were awarded a penalty on 31 minutes and it was harsh. It was given against Presho for handball.

In a way justice was done as Garner pulled off a tremendous diving save and although the ball ran free Dale Jennings shot over the crossbar.

The second-half did belong to Winsford. Aided greatly by a policy of putting themselves about and as the half progressed a number of strong challenges led to a number of confrontations between players and a few yellow cards.

Just before the hour Winsford took the lead when defender Will Foster elevated himself above the home defence and headed the ball just inside the post.

The goal that finished Burscough was scored via a free-kick by Kyle McGonigle in the 68th minute.

Burscough continued to work hard to get back into the game but the best they could offer was a header from Declan Hill that was cleared off the line on 81 minutes.

Meanwhile, Burscough have added some experience on the field and made changes in the dug-out.

It might well be needed as they face a local derby trip to AFC Liverpool in the FA Cup on Saturday. If Burscough draw the replay will be scheduled for next midweek.

During midweek last week Dave Sutton handed over the managerial reins to former manager Nick Matthews, who has immediately added some experience to his young team.

They have signed centre-forward Yves Zama, and he played a part on Saturday, and two defenders who will make a difference in the form of River Humphries and full-back Billy Whittle, both with a large knowledge from higher divisions.

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